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officials of Oakham,

REPORTS

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OF THE

Town of Oakham,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1880.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN OF OAKHAM,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1880.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$19 70	
" postage, express and stationery,	4 31	$24 01
Paid Selectmen for services,	50 00	
" postage and stationery,	1 40	51 40
Paid Collector of Taxes for services,	30 00	
" postage and stationery,	6 21	36 21
Paid Treasurer for services,		10 00
Paid Assessors for services,		86 00
Paid School Committee for services,		43 00
Paid Overseers of the Poor, support of paupers and services,		1,027 36

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid George Allen,	$36 45
William O. Keep,	46 20
John Robinson,	59 25
William Spear,	54 30
Edwin N. Hunt,	16 90
Nathan S. Walker,	72 75
Avery C. Bullard,	97 53
Charles A. Ware,	57 65
Cheney Bothwell,	85 00
T. N. Fobes,	10 77
Henry A. Crawford,	56 00
Herbert E. Brigham,	60 35
John Leyden,	13 50
D. F. Parmenter,	73 20
S. J. Foster,	46 74

Paid Charles H. Shedd,	$45 00		
J. Waldo Knight,	40 90		
John Mathews,	3 97	876	46

BREAKING OUT ROADS.

Paid George Allen,	12 26		
William O. Keep,	16 69		
Charles A. Ware,	7 15		
Benjamin Nurss,	8 87		
H. A. Crawford,	22 28		
A. C. Bullard,	8 47		
George L. Ripley,	7 90		
D. F. Parmenter,	6 40		
N. S. Walker,	5 45		
John Robinson,	2 85		
Charles H. Shedd,	20 61		
Lewis N. Haskell,	37 72		
S. H. Bullard,	18 16		
J. Waldo Knight,	5 70		
W. P. Adams,	30 95		
H. E. Brigham,	3 65	215	11

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid Miss Ada V. Walker, Teacher,	140 00		
" Flora Crawford, "	76 00		
" Helen E. Dean, "	194 00		
" Mary Robinson, "	80 00		
" Minnie Brooks, "	148 00		
" Mattie J. Dean, "	8 00		
" Mary A. Sanborn, "	160 00		
" Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, Teacher,	70 00		
" " Stephen Boyden, "	62 50		
For fuel and care of school houses,	137 95		
Books, crayons, erasers, &c.,	6 82	1,083	27

TOWN DEBT.

Paid Charles Adams, Jr.,		1,000	00

INTEREST.

Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	1,137 50		
Charles Adams, Jr.,	90 00		
T. N. Fobes,	35 00	1,262	50

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Plimpton,	48 00	

Paid William A. Parmenter,	120 00	$168 00

MILITARY AID,

UNDER CHAPTER 252, LAWS 1879.

Paid on account, Daniel Rogers,	20 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid William M. Thompson for care of hall and ringing bell,	35 00
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing town reports.	20 40
John Mathews for injuries from alleged defect in highways,	50 00
For insurance of Coldbrook School House,	13 60
" Memorial Hall,	75 13
For repairs of South School House,	21 03
" Coldbrook "	5 99
" Other School Houses,	4 00
For repairing four School House Stoves,	11 00
" School furniture,	75 82
James Packard for services as sexton,	36 75
County Tax,	326 18
State Tax,	100 00
Discount on Taxes,	299 13
Abatement of Taxes,	215 73
Repairs of buildings on Hall place,	33 50
	1,323 26

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TOWN TREASURER.

L. P. LOVELL, TREASURER, DR.

To Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1879.		3,595 08
Cash received for Coal sold,		9 00
" from Town of Petersham.		5 55
" B. P. Clark for Liquor License.		100 00
" for Corporation Tax,		3 84
" National Bank Tax.		23 17
" State Aid refunded.		46 00
" Relief of indigent soldiers,		10 97
" Burial State paupers.		5 00
" from Dog Fund,		90 37
" for sale West Center School House.		40 00
" Grass on Common.		5 75
" from Mass. School Fund,		214 06
" for Tuition Center District,		20 00
" School Books sold,		4 50
" from Town Grant,		6,300 00
" County Tax,		326 18

To cash received from State Tax,	$100 00		
" Overlayings,	22 16		
" for Hall Farm Rent,	39 05		
" Interest from delinquent tax payers,	39 55	11,000	23

——Cr.——

By paying orders of Selectmen,	7,226 58		
Balance in Treasury to new account,	3,773 65	11,000	23
By Balance in favor of School Fund,		779	31
" Contingent Fund,		2,994	34
Deficiency in Highway Fund, $3 18.			

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	17,500 00		
T. N. Fobes,	500 00		
Charles Adams, Jr.,	500 00	18,500	00

MOSES O. AYRES,
AVERY C. BULLARD,
JOHN B. FAIRBANK,
} *Selectmen of Oakham.*

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1880.

The Overseers in presenting their Annual Report to the Town, respectfully submit the following as the result of their labors in the discharge of the duties of their office during the past year.

Several applications have been made for admission into our family, but the applicants not having the legal qualifications are denied. The fiery darts that have been hurled at the Overseers for their denial of those cases, all have fallen harmless at our feet.

We have one unfortunate member, that has caused us some little trouble; we were fortunate, as we thought, in securing a place of his choice for board; for several months all was satisfactory, and there was evidence of both mental and physical improvement—after which a feeling of discontent seemed to prevail, probably in part, through outside influence. While we would recognize the maternal affection, to be just and right, still we feel that under particular circumstances there should be a limit. In this case, the Overseers have been accused of a want of due kindness to the unfortunate poor.

It would be wise, we think, before giving a verdict, to know the facts in the case. As a result, request was made to go and care for himself, which in our judgment was not for the interest of the town or person, and was denied; but assuming no authority other than his own will, his bark, which had more sail than ballast floated away, where and how far we know not, as it returned without cost to the town, its wanderings was suffered, but not by us approved.

During the year, fifteen persons have received full or partial support.

They further report that they have received of the town,	$1.027 36
Received from the sales of beds, bedding and wearing apparel of deceased paupers,	17 44
Received from the estate of Jesse Liberty, Jr.,	5 00
Amount received,	1.049 80

Which we account for as follows:

Paid for Sally Foster,	$32 00
Eliza Battease,	60 00
Stephen Chamberlain,	45 15
Lydia Chamberlain,	67 50
Lucy M. Goodale,	156 00
Lucy Robinson,	91 85
Lucius Wood,	117 75
Clothing for L. Wood,	8 15
Lyman P. Crawford,	53 50
Joseph Bro,	6 90
Malinda Woodis,	51 21
George D. Whitcomb,	5 55
City of Somerville for Patrick Kenney and family,	34 60
" Cambridge for Daniel Rogers and family,	26 54
Alanson Prouty, clothing, &c.,	10 65
Dr. F. E. Brigham, medical attendance, town's poor,	36 30
" " State paupers,	45 25
Davidson Barr for care and support of State paupers,	58 00
Mrs. C. O. Adams for nursing State paupers,	7 50
James Packard, three coffins for State paupers,	17 00
" coffin for Jesse Liberty, Jr.,	10 00
" coffins for Sally Foster and S. Chamberlain,	18 00
E. P. Maynard for opening and closing three graves,	3 00
A. Lincoln, Rent for Lock-up,	5 00
Wm. S. Crawford, lumber, labor, &c. for Lock-up,	10 05
" Keeping 54 tramps,	13 50
Overseers for three journeys and expense to Worcester, (Emmeline Whittemore case,)	10 49
Page Austin for two journeys to Boston, Somerville and Cambridge,	15 05
for searching records at Brandon, Vt., Whittemore, alias Green, alias Parkhurst case,	1 25
Postage and stationery,	1 10
Overseers' ordinary services,	30 00
Amount paid,	1,049 80

Received of the town of Petersham for George D. Whitcomb,	5 55
Due from Commonwealth for aid furnished State paupers,	88 18
Yearly expense of support of the poor,	956 11
There will be due, April 1, 1880,	300 00

All which is respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
Overseers of the Poor.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, TAXES, &C., OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, AS ASSESSED MAY 1, 1879.

Number of Polls,		230
Valuation of Personal Estate,		$ 62,295
Valuation of Real Estate,		293,941
Amount of property exempt from taxation, belonging to unmarried females, *Real Estate*,		6,275
The State, County and Town Taxes are made on a scale of one cent and eight mills on a dollar, equal to $18. on $1,000.		
A poll tax is $1.46.		
Amount raised by the town for schools,		$800 00
"	Highways,	800 00
"	Town Debt,	1000 00
"	Contingent Expenses,	3700 00
"	County Tax,	326 18
"	State "	100 00
	Overlayings,	22 16
No. of dwelling houses,		185
" horses,		185
" cows,		451
" sheep,		103
Acres of land taxed,		12,970
Minors between 5 and fifteen years of age,		135

L. P. LOVELL,
D. R. DEAN,
W. PRESCOTT ADAMS, } *Assessors of Oakham.*

OAKHAM BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 28, 1879	John E. Stone	to	Mary J. Larabee.
May 28,	Homer A. Adams	"	Katie A. Smith.
Nov. 20,	Charles H. Trowbridge	"	Martha L. Bradford.
" 29,	Henry W. Bartlett	"	Eliza J. Jenks.

BIRTHS.

Feb.	9,	1879,	Son to Jerry Mann.
"	16,		" J. B. Pion.
"	28,		Daughter to Joseph Burneau.
Mar.	17,		Son to Marcus M. Butterfield.
Apr.	19,		" Charles S. Woodbury.
May	19,		" George H. Wilder.
"	23,		Daughter to Peter Denisette.
"	28,		Son to John Brinley.
June	2,		" James Sheern.
"	10,		Daughter to Nelson Aldrich.
"	15,		Son to Felix Lemarie.
"	28,		" Edgar Cleveland.
July	8,		Daughter to J. W. Bemis.
"	23,		Son to Frank Pluff.
"	30,		Daughter to William H. Sheen.
Aug.	17,		" N. W. Packard.
"	18,		Son to Miles Gaffney.
Sept.	3,		Daughter to Herbert E. Brigham.
"	20,		" John Gilboy.
Oct.	16,		Son to William S. Crawford.
Nov.	21,		" James Farrall.
Dec.	2,		Daughter to Horace M. Green.
"	23,		" Amory Poudret.
"	28,		" Louis Suay.

Whole No. 24.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	12,	Nancy F. Burt,	84	10	0
"	18,	John Maynard,	28	6	22
"	21,	Sally Foster,	97	3	0
"	22,	Isabella R. Hill,	34	2	13
"	27,	Anna H. Keith,	77	6	13
Feb.	9,	Edith B. Clark,	61	4	7
"	10,	Andrew Spooner,	61	3	19
"	14,	Stephen Chamberlain,	72	4	0
Mar.	3,	Samuel King,	37	10	19
"	26,	Mary Ann Harrington,	73	0	13
Apr.	6,	Charles B. Green,	75	8	4
"	8,	Austin Goodell,	76	2	13
"	11,	Georgianna Whitcomb,	0	3	27
May	16,	Anna E. Whitcomb,	37	0	23
June	4,	William Simmons,	23	0	0
"	4,	James F. Farrall,	28	10	17
July	3,	John Ballard,	36	5	0
"	20,	Constant B. Thrasher,	56	11	3
Aug.	26,	Louisa L. Dwight,	68	1	23
Sept.	15,	Jesse Liberty,	28	2	17
"	19,	Lucinda K. Jones,	70	5	3
"	26,	Israel P. Shebl,	67	5	25
Oct.	27,	Clarence E. Prescott,	3	8	23
Dec.	1,	Ann A. Packard,	84	8	21
"	21,	Capt. Sumner Barr,	78	7	23

Whole No. 25.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following Report for the year ending March 1st, 1880.

——DR.——

To amount in treasury at last report,	$729 15
" appropriated by the town,	800
" received from state school fund,	214 06
" " " dog tax fund,	90 37
" " " tuition, center district,	20
" " " coal sold, " "	9
	$1862 58

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EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching three terms, 26 weeks,	$140.
Fuel and care of house,	12.82
	$152.82

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Flora Crawford, teaching spring and fall terms, 16 weeks.	$76.
" " paid Leonard P. Lovell, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	70.
For fuel and care of house,	22.50
	168.50

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Helen Dean, teaching three terms, 26 weeks,	$194.

For fuel and care of house,	$18.25
	212.25

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Mary Robinson, teaching spring and fall terms, 16 weeks,	$80.
" " Stephen Boyden, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	62.50
Fuel and care of house,	14.
	156.50

CENTER SCHOOL.

By amt. paid Miss Minnie L. Brooks, teaching 3 terms, 26 weeks,	$148.
" " " " Mattie J. Dean, assistant, one term, 8 "	8.
" " " " Mary A. Sanborn, teaching 2 terms 20 "	160.
" " " for fuel and care of house,	61.38
	377.38
Paid for books crayons, erasers, brooms, &c.,	$6.82
" coal sold,	9.
	15.82
Total expense of schools chargeable to school fund,	$1,083.27
Balance in treasury belonging to school fund,	779.31

There have been two terms of eight weeks each, and one term of ten weeks in all the schools of the town, except in the center district, where the two schools were combined for the spring term, and the fall term of school No 1 was extended two weeks, making in this school two terms of ten weeks each. To meet the expense of the two additional weeks of this school, a tuition of one dollar per scholar was charged, and twenty dollars collected.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, Spring, fall and winter terms.

Spring term,	Whole No. of scholars,	11.	Average attendance.	9.	
Fall "	" "	15,	" "	12 1-2	
Winter "	" "	13,	" "	10 1-2	

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring and fall terms, Miss Flora Crawford, teacher. Winter term, Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teacher.

Spring term,	Whole No of Scholars,	13,	Average attendance,	10	
Fall "	" "	20,	" "	17 1-2	
Winter "	" "	21,	" "	18	

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring, fall and winter terms, Miss Helen Dean, teacher.

Spring term,	Whole No. of scholars,	25,	Average attendance,	20 1-2		
Fall "	" "	22,	" "	20		
Winter "	" "	27,	" "	25		

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring and fall terms, Miss Mary Robinson, teacher. Winter term, Mr. Stephen Boyden, teacher.

Spring term,	Whole No. of Scholars,	24,	Average attendance,	18 1-2		
Fall "	" "	24,	" "	18 1-2		
Winter "	" "	25,	" "	19 1-2		

CENTER SCHOOL.

Spring term, Miss Minnie Brooks, teacher; Miss Mattie Dean, assistant. Whole number of scholars, 46, Average attendance, 43 1-2

CENTER SCHOOL, No. 1.

Fall and winter terms, Miss Mary A. Sanborn, teacher.

Fall term,	Whole No. of Scholars,	23,	Average attendance,	21 1-4		
Winter "	" "	29,	" "	26 1-2		

CENTER SCHOOL, No. 2.

Fall and winter terms, Miss Minnie Brooks, teacher.

Fall term,	Whole No. of Scholars,	34,	Average attendance,	31 1-2		
Winter "	" "	31,	" "	27		

The attendance in all the schools was:

In the spring term, whole No. 119,		Average,	101 1-2
" Fall " "	138,	"	121 1-4
" Winter " "	148,	"	126 1-4

The number of children in town May 1st, 1879, as ascertained by the assessors, was 135.

The committee have caused repairs to be made on the south school house to the amount of $21 03, and on the Coldbrook house to the amount of $5 99, and on the other houses to the amount of $4. They have also expended $11. in the repair of school-house stoves.

Further repairs are needed, and they suggest an appropriation for that purpose, of fifty dollars.

For the support of schools the coming year, they recommend an appropriation of seven hundred and fifty dollars.

The following By-Laws respecting truancy were duly adopted by the town, Dec. 24, 1879.

TRUANT LAWS.

ARTICLE 1. The town of Oakham hereby avails itself of the several provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth, now in force, relating to habitual truants and absentees from school, and in pursuance of authority conferred thereby, adopts the following By-Laws.

ARTICLE 2. All children between the ages of seven and fifteen years, residing in said town, and who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of said town, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, shall be committed to the State Primary School at Monson, for confinement, instruction and discipline.

ARTICLE 3. Two or more truant officers shall be appointed annually, whose duty it shall be to inquire into all the violations of the truant laws, and of the law relating to compulsory education, and to do all the acts required of them by the laws of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE 4. It shall be the duty of every truant officer to notify the truant or absentee from school, also, his parent or guardian, of the offense committed and of the penalty therefor, and if the truant officer can obtain satisfactory pledges for the restraint and reformation of the child, he may at his discretion forbear to prosecute, so long as such pledges are faithfully kept.

ARTICLE 5. It shall be the duty of the School Committee, the teachers of the public schools and the citizens generally, to aid the truant officers as far as possible in the discharge of their duties.

ARTICLE 6. It shall be the duty of the truant officers to keep a full record of all their official acts, and make an annual report thereof, to the School Committee, who shall publish the same with their own report.

ARTICLE 7. Nothing in these By-Laws shall be so construed as to alter or impair the obligation and duty of teachers to enforce punctuality and regularity of attendance, and to preserve good order and discipline.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of those scholars neither absent nor tardy, unexcused by the Committee.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Three terms, - - - - - - John Keep.

One term, Fred Hapgood, Fred Keep.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Two terms, Kate Woodis, Bessie Weld.

One term, Jennie Bemis, May Parker, Gertie Parker,
Rosa Parker, Walter Parker, Frank Morgan.

WEST SCHOOL.

Three terms, - - - - - Lena Adams.

Two terms, Katie White, Maggie Gaffney.

One term, Jane Leydon, Annie Gaffney, John Gaffney,
James F. Gaffney, James P. Gaffney, Patsie White.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Three terms, Josie Butterfield, Mary Butterfield, Fannie Kimball,
Sophronia Kimball, John H. Butterfield.

Two terms, - - - - - Frank Holt.

One term, Edith Bruce, Alice Holt, Katie Monroe,
Florence Needham, Walter J. Bruce.
Charles Monroe, Harry B. Parker, Harry N. Prescott.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Three terms, Carrie V. Bartlett, Cora M. Crawford, Mattie J. Dean,
Bertha Lovell, Lillian Robinson, Jesse Robinson.

Two terms, Dora Sargeant, Elsie Sargeant, Katie Sheern,
Minnie Speare, Lilla Spooner, Fannie Thompson,
D. Oscar Lovell, Winfield Ayres, Frank Davis,
Newton Green, John Sheern.

One term,

Florence Caldwell,	Jessie Davis,	Angie Stone,
Etta Stone,	Ella Sheern,	Katie Reese,
Nellie Keyes,	Daisy Mellen,	Mabel Gleason,
Sarah Butler,	Nellie Davis,	Ellen Haskell,
Mary Maynard,	Lizzie Sheern,	Florence Sargent,
Harry Caldwell,	Frank Holden,	William Liberty,
Stephen Lincoln,	George Morse,	George Parker,
	Eugene Reed.	

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. FAIRBANK,
LEONARD P. LOVELL,
JESSE ALLEN,
} *School Committee.*

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$14 40	
" postage,	5 45	$19 85
SELECTMEN.		
Paid Selectmen for services,	49 00	
" postage and stationery,	1 81	$50 81
ASSESSORS.		
Paid Assessors for services,	$3 00	
" blank books,	1 89	
" postage,	1 33	$86 22
TREASURER.		
Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	10 00	
COLLECTOR.		
Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	$40 00	
" postage and stationery,	5 92	$45 92
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.		
Paid Jesse Allen for services,	16 00	
L. P. Lovell "	24 00	
Postage and stationery,	83	$40 83
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.		
Paid for support of paupers,	$24 49	
BREAKING ROADS.		
Paid William O. Keep,	$5 57	
C. A. Ware.	2 60	

A. C. Bullard,	1 40	
N. S. Walker,	2 75	
George Allen,	5 30	
C. H. Shedd,	2 20	
S. J. Foster,	5 32	
J. Waldo Knight.	3 60	$28 74

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid M. M. Butterfield,	$60 47	
William O. Keep,	41 00	
A. C. Bullard,	37 56	
C. A. Ware,	65 35	
E. H. Dwelly,	46 55	
Cheney Bothwell,	71 80	
Cheney Bothwell, for repairing bridge,	19 27	
D. H. Nye,	81 90	
John E. Stone,	72 70	
A. E. Burt,	73 01	
William S. Spear,	52 10	
S. J. Foster,	45 00	
J. Waldo Knight,	37 75	
Z. L. Winslow,	38 12	
D. M. Parker,	20 66	
S. H. Bullard,	50 95	
H. W. Lincoln,	42 85	
G. C. Clark,	75	$857 79

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East School,	$138 50	
Coldbrook School,	203 50	
Centre School,	423 91	
West School,	162 50	
South School,	146 00	$1074 41
Paid for School Books,		$105 50
Repairs on School-houses,		24 89

TOWN DEBT.

Paid Charles Adams, Jr.,	$500 00	
Timothy N. Fobes,	500 00	$1000 00

STATE AID.

Paie Eliza Plimpton,	$48 00	
William A. Parmenter,	120 00	
Sophronia Green,	4 00	$172 00

MILITARY AID,

Paid City of Cambridge for Daniel Rogers,	$60 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Maynard, Gough & Co., for printing,	$63 50	
Abatement of Taxes,	19 90	
Wm. M. Thompson,	35 00	
State Treasurer, one-fourth liquor license,	25 00	
G. W. Russell & Sons, for hearse,	305 00	
For Pump on the Common,	5 00	
County Tax,	291 00	
State Tax,	300 00	
Freight on chandelier,	75	
James Packard, services as sexton,	36 00	
Interest,	1197 50	$2278 65

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer, Dr.

To Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1880,	$3773 65	
Cash for Tuition,	1 00	
from Board of State Charities,	85 68	
Rutland for Tuition,	$10 00	
from sale of Grass on the Common,	8 50	
rent of Hall Farm, above taxes,	45 80	
Corporation Tax,	11 72	
National Bank Tax,	23 78	
State Aid refunded,	168 00	
Military Aid refunded,	12 50	
sale of Old Hearse Wheels,	7 00	
Dog Fund,	92 72	
State and Military Aid,	29 00	
Mass. School Fund,	213 16	
for use of Hall, and Coal sold,	9 40	
from sale of Books,	8 32	

Interest on Taxes,	18 88	
Town Grant,	5700 00	
State Tax,	300 00	
County Tax,	291 00	
Overlayings,	75 73	$10,885 84

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	$6,680 10	
Balance in Treasury to new account,	4,205 74	$10,885 84
Deficiency in Highway Appropriation,		$60 97

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, $17,500 00

MOSES O. AYRES,
AVERY C. BULLARD,
GEORGE W. STONE,
Selectmen of Oakham.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1880.

During the year, twenty-three persons have received full or partial support.

Received of the Town,	$824 49
of the Town of Weymouth,	5 00
of the Town of Leverett,	39 66
from sale of Boards,	1 86
Whole amount received,	$871 01

Which we account for as follows:

Paid Susan M. Thrasher for Lucy M. Goodale,	$152 60
Susan M. Thrasher, for Lucy Robinson,	65 00
Lyman Dean for Lucius Wood,	11 50
Harvey Maynard for Lucius Wood,	110 42
Maria Burbank for Eliza Batease,	60 00
Adaline W. Knight for Lydia Chamberlain,	32 50
Mark Haskell for Lydia Chamberlain,	34 00
Henry A. Wilder for Eunice M. Walker,	65 00
City of Somerville for Patrick Kenny,	21 65
Town of North Brookfield for Joseph Brough,	19 19
Town of Sturbridge for George Severy,	22 00
City of Cambridge, burial expenses of Rogers child,	5 00
Wood and supplies for Melinda Woodis,	73 61
Supplies for Alice Farell,	4 37
Dr. F. E. Brigham for medical attendance for Alice Farell,	4 00
" " " Lucy M. Goodale,	24 25
" " " Lucius Wood,	7 00
" " " Lucy Robinson,	2 75
" " " Mrs. Jason M. Pierce and child,	33 00

Alanson Prouty for clothing for poor,	16 36
H. S. Harwood for groceries for Mrs Jason Pierce,	3 41
Alonzo Lincoln, rent for tramp room,	5 00
Wm. S. Crawford for keeping 47 tramps,	11 75
Joseph Cleaveland for keeping one tramp,	1 50
for Legal Counsel,	6 00
Horace Wilbur for mending L. Wood's shoes,	2 25
Constable of Barre for bringing Lucius Wood home,	2 00
James Packard for two coffins for Horace Green's children,	7 00
James Packard, coffin for Eliza Batease,	7 00
James Packard for closing grave,	50
J. C. Bemis, car fare and freight for Mrs. Jason M. Pierce, to Natick,	3 25
Overseers, two journeys and expenses to Hubbardston,	8 00
Overseers for journey and expense to Athol, to bring Lucius Wood home,	5 00
Overseers for journey and expense to Sturbridge,	5 75
" " " Southbridge,	6 65
Postage and Stationery,	1 75
Overseers for ordinary services,	30 00
Amount paid,	$871 01

Respectfully submitted.

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
Overseers of the Poor.

1880.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES & DEATHS IN OAKHAM.

BIRTHS.

Jan. 23,	Daughter to	John E. Stone.
Feb. 6,	"	John P. Day.
May 14,	Son to	George W. Stone.
Aug. 3,	Daughter to	Isadore Suay.
" 5,	"	George H. Wilder.
" 13,	"	Rogene Parker.
" "	Son to	Cornelius Weeks.
Sept. 19,	"	George Olmstead.
" 30,	Daughter to	George E. Thresher.
Oct. 14,	Son to	Arthur L. Loring.
Nov. 1,	"	Peter Pluff.
Dec. 3,	"	James K. Clark.
" 21,	Daughter to	J. Wm. Bemis.
" 22,	"	Allston Collier.

Total 14.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 19,	John A. Dean	to	Inez A. Lovell.
Mar. 18,	George E. Thresher	"	Alice M. Lovering.
" 30,	Evander L. Parker	"	Georgiana M. Hawkins.
June 17,	Mildmay D. Parker	"	Dora E. Hawkins.
" 23,	Charles S. Clifford	"	Flora M. Crawford.
Aug. 30,	Sibley F. Woodis	"	Minnie L. Brooks.
" 31,	Orin D. Barr	"	Sarah E. Green.
Dec. 21,	William A. Nye	"	Emeline J. Dean.

Total 8.

DEATHS.

DATE.		YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan. 18,	Laura T. Brown.	71	7	3
Feb. 6,	Mary W. Day.	30		
Apr. 14,	Alice M. Morse.	25	6	18
" 17,	Nancy Foster.	83	6	27
May 4,	George A. Parmenter.	28	3	5
" 16,	Enoch L. Hallowell.	59	4	19
" 29,	Sally E. Pellet.	84	8	
June 16,	George H. Wilder.	1	0	28
July 17,	George E. Ball.	4		
" 27,	Lucy M. Goodale.	36	4	24
Aug. 12,	Grace M. Stone.	0	6	19
" 29,	Dolly H. Maynard.	70	2	11
Sept. 24,	Erastus F. Woodis.	65	3	19
Oct. 11,	Perley Ayres.	88	5	11
" 16,	Jennie A. Brooks.	19	8	15
Nov. 17,	Emeline Dean.	66	1	17
Dec. 6,	Sydney J. Woodbury,	1	7	18
" 24,	Anna L. Green.	7	1	21
" "	Josie M. Green.	3	6	10

FORMER RESIDENTS BURIED IN TOWN.

Feb. 23,	Chandler Weeks,	75		
Mar. 26,	Isaac D. Rice.	78		
May 7,	Mrs. John Hammond.	76		
Oct. 11,	Orlando Russell.	68		

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following Report for the year ending March 1st, 1881.

——DR.——

To amount in treasury at last report,	$779 31
" appropriated by the town,	750 00
" received from State school fund,	213 16
" " " dog tax fund,	92 72
" " " coal sold,	3 40
" " " tuition,	1 00
To tuition received from Town of Rutland,	10 00
	$1,849 59

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EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching two terms, 16 weeks.	$80 00
By amount paid Walter M. Robinson, teaching winter term, 10 weeks.	50 00
Fuel and care of house,	11 25
	141 25

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Flora Crawford, teaching spring term, 8 weeks.	$40 00

By amount paid Miss Phila H. Parkman, teaching fall term, 8 weeks,	36 00
By amount paid Mr. Albert W. Hitchcock, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	70 00
Fuel and care of house,	11 00
	$157 00

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Helen Dean, teaching three terms 26 weeks,	$194 00
Fuel and care of house,	14 25
	$208 25

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Minnie Brooks, teaching spring term,	$40 00
By amount paid Marie J. Kendall, teaching fall term,	40 00
By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching winter term,	65 00
Fuel and care of house,	19 50
	$164 50

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teaching two terms, 15 1-2 weeks,	$78 00
By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching one term, 10 weeks,	60 00
By amount paid Mrs. L. H. Wells, teaching one term, 8 weeks,	60 00
By amount paid Miss Mary A Sanborn, teaching two terms, 18 weeks,	144 00
For fuel and care of house,	64 41
	$406 41

Paid for maps, erasers, brooms and crayons,	$25 16
Total expense of schools, chargeable to school fund,	$1,102 57
Balance in treasury belonging to school fund,	$747 02

There have been two terms of eight weeks each, and one term of ten weeks in all the schools of the town, although at the time of writing this report the school in Coldbrook is not completed, it having been somewhat broken up by sickness.

The fall term of Centre school number one was lengthened two weeks at the expense of the scholars.

The severe winter and prevalence of considerable sickness among the scholars makes our record of attendance very poor during the winter term.

The attendance in the several schools is as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, spring and fall terms. Mr. Walter M. Robinson, teacher in winter term.

Spring term,	Whole No. scholars,	14	Average attendance,	12			
Fall	"	"	"	16	"	"	14 1-2
Winter	"	"	"	20	"	"	17

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Miss Flora Crawford, teacher in spring term. Miss Phila Parkman, teacher in fall term. Mr. Albert W. Hitchcock, teacher in winter term.

Spring term.	Whole No. scholars.	18	Average attendance,	17 1-2			
Fall	"	"	"	15	"	"	14
Winter	"	"	"	26	"	"	18

COLDBROOK SCHOOL

Miss Helen Dean, teacher, spring, fall and winter terms.

Spring term.	Whole No. scholars.	26	Average attendance.	23.5		
Fall	"	"	"	31	"	"
Winter	"	"	"	23	"	"

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Minnie Brooks, teacher, spring term. Miss Marie Kendall, teacher, fall term. Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, winter term.

Spring term.	Whole No. scholars.	22	Average attendance.	16			
Fall	"	"	"	25	"	"	16
Winter	"	"	"	27	"	"	16

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Spring term, Mrs. Louise K. Wells and Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teachers.

Fall term, Miss Mary Sanborn and Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teachers.

Winter term, Miss Mary Sanborn and Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teachers.

CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 1.

Spring term,	Whole No. scholars,	24		Average attendance,	23	
Fall "	" "	30		" "	22	
Winter "	" "	32		" "	25	

CENTRE SCHOOL No. 2.

Spring term,	Whole No. scholars,	24		Average attendance,	23.5	
Fall "	" "	30		" "	28.5	
Winter "	" "	22		" "	17	

The attendance in all the schools was:

In the spring term,	Whole No.	128		Average,	115
" fall "	"	147		"	122
" winter "	"	150		"	113

The number of children in town, between the ages of 5 and 15, May 1st, 1880, as ascertained by the assessors, was 135.

The committee have exchanged grammar and spelling books within the year, at a nominal expense of $33.48, although the actual expense is much less, for every scholar now has a new book in place of the old ones. We propose to arrange as soon as convenient, so that the school books may be found at all the stores in town.

The committee have paid out $23.39 from the appropriation of $50.00 made last year. We have left, $26.61 in the treasury. Seven hundred and fifty dollars should be appropriated for the support of schools the coming year.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of those scholars neither absent nor tardy.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Three terms,	John Keep,		Henry U. Crawford.
One term,	Edward J. Crawford,		Walter W. Church.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Two terms,	Bessie L. Weld,		E. May Parker,
	Rosie W. Parker,		Gertie A. Parker.
One term,	Jennie Bemis,	Frank Morgan,	Joseph Lemey.

WEST SCHOOL.

Two terms,	Julia Marsh,	Lena R. Adams,	Effie Adams.
One term,	Maggie J. Gaffney,	Annie H. Gaffney,	J. Agnes Gaffney,
	James Leyden,		Jerome Foster.

We cannot report on Coldbrook School, for we have not the register.

CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 1.

Two terms,	Carrie V. Bartlett,	Lillian E. Robinson,	Lizzie Sheern,
	Katie D. Sheern,	Lilla B. Spooner,	George Larabee,
		Mattie J. Dean.	
One term,	Sarah Butler,	Cora Crawford,	Elsie Sargeant,
	Fannie M. Thompson,	Mary Wilbur,	Frank Davis,

CENTRE SCHOOL No. 2.

Two terms,	Nellie Keyes,	Dora E. Sargeant,	J. Mabel Gleason,
	Carrie Winter,	Bertha C. Lovell,	Jessie M. Davis,
	Ella Spooner,	Minnie M. Spear,	Jesse Robinson.
One term,	Maria L. Lincoln,	Florence Caldwell,	Gracie Gleason,
	Mabel Caldwell,	John F. Sheern,	Willie Needham,
	Newton Green,	Harry Caldwell,	Jamie P. Fairbank

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. LOVELL,
JESSE ALLEN,
H. W. LINCOLN,
} *School Committee.*

REPORT

— OF THE —

Town Officers

— OF THE —

Town of Oakham,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

WORCESTER:
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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$19 35	
" " postage,	4 06	$23 41

COLLECTOR.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	$40 00

TREASURER.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	10 00	
" " postage and stationery,	4 90	$14 90

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	38 00	
" postage and stationery,	1 35	
" counsel fees,	1 00	$40 35

ASSESSORS.

Paid D. R. Dean for services,	28 00	
H. W. Lincoln "	28 00	
H. P. Austin, "	24 00	
for postage and stationery,	25	$80 25

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	35 00	
H. W. Lincoln "	31 00	
Jesse Allen "	28 00	$94 00

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$897 51

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Z. L. Winslow,	$18	56	
E. H. Dwelly,	6	95	
M. M. Butterfield,	12	20	
W. S. Spear,	60	43	
H. W. Lincoln,	39	35	
W. O. Keep,	50	88	
J. E. Stone,	9	51	
C. A. Ware,	17	79	
J. W. Knight,	27	64	
W. M. Presho,	2	85	
A. E. Burt,	48	89	
S. H. Bullard,	14	67	
D. H. Nye,	16	97	
A. C. Bullard,	6	56	
S. J. Foster,	25	07	
C. Bothwell,	5	25	$363 57

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid W. S. Spear,	$41	85	
A. C. Bullard,	33	25	
M. M. Butterfield,	52	47	
Wm. A. Nye,	60	00	
W. O. Keep,	36	55	
C. Bothwell,	66	90	
E. H. Dwelly,	43	75	
Wm. C. Crawford,	64	10	
J. E. Stone,	61	90	
C. A. Ware,	53	26	
H. W. Lincoln,	37	55	
S. J. Foster,	41	87	
S. H. Bullard,	50	75	
J. W. Knight,	30	97	
Z. L. Winslow,	34	69	$709 86

REPAIRING BRIDGES.

Paid M. M. Butterfield, for labor and materials on bridge at Coldbrook,	$24	75	
A. C. Bullard, for materials for bridge at Coldbrook,	21	00	
Gale Brothers, for plank " "	36	02	$81 77

Paid C. A. Ware, for labor and materials for bridge at Ware's Corner,	21 50	
D. R. Dean, for plank for bridge at Ware's Corner,	18 05	$39 55

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Centre School,	$389 90	
Coldbrook School,	190 25	
South "	164 00	
East "	146 80	
West "	98 00	$988 95

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid for repairs on West School House,	$117 17	
" " South "	91	$118 08

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Plimpton,	$48 00	
William A. Parmenter,	100 00	
Charlotte Mullett,	44 00	
Sophronia Green,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	8 00	$248 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid City of Cambridge for Daniel Rogers,	$50 00

SINKING FUND.

Deposited in People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	$1,000 00	
" Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,000 00	$2,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Thompson, for care of hall and ringing bell,	$35 00
A. Prouty, for cover to hearse,	3 15
for repairing and painting fence on Common,	28 20
for abatement of taxes,	9 61
printing town reports and collector's notices,	29 38
Bacon, Hopkins & Bacon, for counsel fees,	15 00
County tax,	243 00
State tax,	300 00
for school books,	43 66
State Treasurer, one-fourth liquor license,	25 00
J. Packard, services as Sexton,	34 00

Paid for repairs on buildings at Hall place,	11 26	
for pump and iron sink for "	10 88	
for grass seed for "	7 41	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts for interest,	1,137 50	$1,933 05

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer. Dr.

To balance, March 1, 1881,	$4,205 74	
cash for liquor license,	100 00	
" grass on Common,	8 00	
corporation tax,	68 68	
National bank tax,	10 65	
State aid, for indigent soldiers refunded,	30 00	
" refunded,	168 00	
cash from dog fund,	96 39	
" from Massachusetts school fund,	213 73	
town grant,	5,250 00	
State tax,	300 00	
County tax,	243 00	
overlayings,	66 91	
cash for coal,	3 35	
interest on taxes,	47 46	
cash for rent of Hall farm, above taxes,	13 87	$10,825 78

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	$7,723 25	
balance in Treasury,	3,102 53	$10,825 78

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.	$17,500 00

SINKING FUND.

On deposit at People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	$1,000 00	
" Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,000 00	$2,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES O. AYRES, } *Selectmen*
GEORGE W. STONE, } *of Oakham.*

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1882.

During the year twenty-two persons have received full or partial support. Out of this number three have been committed to the State Lunatic Hospital, at Worcester, for treatment and custody, at an average weekly cost of three dollars twenty-five cents each, beside clothing, viz.:

Lucius Wood, committed April 19th, 1881.
Hiram H. Towne, committed May 11th, 1881.
" " died September 27, 1881.
Eunice M. Walker, committed October 7, 1881.

And they further report that they have received of the town,	$897 51
Received of the town of Southboro,	231 47
" " Hopkinton,	14 73
Whole amount received,	$1,143 71

Which they account for as follows:

Paid Susan M. Thrasher, for Lyman P. Crawford,	$85 00
Susan M. Thrasher, for Lucy Robinson,	52 00
Maria Burbank, for Eliza Batease,	19 00
Mark Haskell, for Lydia Chamberlain,	34 00
Adeline W. Knight, for Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00

Paid Harvey Maynard, for Lucius Wood,	43	47
Mrs. Harvey Maynard, making four shirts, one pair of pants,	1	25
for Lucius Wood at the Hubbardston Alms House,	2	00
Dr. Shannon, for examination of Lucius Wood,	3	00
Dr. Brigham for same,	1	50
justice fee in the case of Lucius Wood,		50
Alanson Prouty, clothing for Lucius Wood:		
October 21, 1880, one pair suspenders,		35
" " one pair hose,		15
" " eight yards striped shirting,		96
" " three yards denims,		54
" " one spool thread,		05
" " one pair hose,		15
March 23, 1881, ten yards cotton cloth,		95
" " one spool thread,		05
" " nine yards bed ticking,	1	17
" " thread,		10
" " eight yards striped shirting,	1	00
" " thread,		05
" " one dozen buttons,		04
" " one pair suspenders,		35
" " two handkerchiefs,		24
" " two pair hose,		30
" " one pair drawers,		75
Overseers of Poor, clothing for Lucius Wood at the time of commitment to Hospital:		
one coat,	3	75
one pair pants,	2	50
one cardigan jacket,	1	25
State Lunatic Hospital, for treatment and custody for Lucius Wood,	119	31
" " one hat for Lucius Wood,		15
" " one pair slippers "	1	00
" " two under shirts "	1	10
" " two pair drawers "	1	10
" " one suit of clothes "	8	00
" " two pair socks "		40
" " one pair slippers "	1	25
" " for postage "		09
Dr. Hammond, for examination of Hiram H. Towne,	3	00

Paid State Lunatic Hospital, for treatment and custody for Hiram H. Towne,		65	00
" " one pair slippers for Hiram H. Towne,		1	00
" " one chamber " "			40
" " for postage " "			09
Henry A. Wilder, for Eunice M. Walker,		93	00
" " clothing, &c., Eunice M. Walker,		3	21
Dr. Palmer, for examination of " "		2	00
justice fee in case of " "			25
Page Austin, journey to Hubbardston,		1	00
John Robinson " "		2	50
Henry A. Wilder, for conveying Eunice M. Walker to Worcester,		4	00
Page Austin, journey to Worcester in Eunice M. Walker case,		3	00
State Lunatic Hospital, for treatment and custody of Eunice M. Walker,		39	93
for conveyance of Eunice M. Walker from Union Depot to State Lunatic Hospital,		1	25
Alanson Prouty, groceries for Horace M. Green's family,		10	46
N. W. Packard, meat " " "		3	28
A. C. Bullard, milk " " "		1	32
for 1 1-4 cords of wood " " "		4	62
Albert Hapgood, for opening grave for Horace Green's children,		2	00
Alanson Prouty, for Melinda Woodis,		44	90
for 5 1-2 cords of wood for Melinda Woodis,		17	25
for cutting wood for "		3	87
Orin Barr, for Davidson Barr,		29	60
for truss, clothing, &c., for Lyman P. Crawford,		11	80
town of Southbridge for aid rendered the family of widow Samuel King,		29	00
for milk and groceries, for Daniel Dunn.		5	73
Dr. Brigham, for Daniel Dunn,		9	00
H. S. Harwood, for groceries, &c., for Andrew J. Woodbury,		50	86
N. W. Packard, for meat " " "		20	38
A. C. Bullard, for milk " " "		3	05
H. S. Harwood, for wood " " "		8	51
G. L. Ripley, for house rent " " "		10	67
Dr. F. E. Brigham, for medical attendance on Andrew Woodbury,		100	00

Paid Dr. C. W. Whitcomb, for medical attendance on Andrew Woodbury,	26 00
James Packard, for coffin for Andrew Woodbury,	7 00
" services as sexton for Andrew Woodbury,	3 00
E. B. Wellington, opening and closing grave for Andrew Woodbury,	2 00
Dr. Brigham, for medical attendance for Horace Green's family,	50 00
" " " Melinda Woodis,	6 00
" " " Lucius Wood,	3 75
" " " Lyman P. Crawford,	2 00
" " " Lucy Robinson,	1 00
John Robinson, for keeping three tramps,	1 50
Wm. S. Crawford, " "	75
Overseers' expenses to Boston, in case of Nellie Russell,	7 64
postage and stationery,	2 32
Overseers for services,	30 00
Whole amount paid,	$1,143 71

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
Overseers of the Poor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM, 1881.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	1.	Daughter to	Herbert E. Brigham.
"	6.	"	Edwin N. Hunt.
"	7.	Son to	J. Waldo Knight.
March	28.	Daughter to	Charles H. Trowbridge.
April	2.	"	Peter White.
"	19.	Son to	W. Prescott Adams.
"	22.	Daughter to	Peter Dusette.
"	29.	"	John E. Stone.
May	11.	"	John W. Pierce.
"	13.	"	Johnson Brooks.
June	5.	Son to	Charles A. Ware.
"	7.	"	John Gilboy.
"	7.	Daughter to	Marcus M. Butterfield.
"	20.	"	Charles B. Caldwell.
Aug.	21.	"	Joseph Lucia.
Sept.	29.	Son to	Orin D. Barr.
Oct.	17.	Daughter to	Samuel Hickey.
Nov.	2.	Son to	George H. Wilder.
"	6.	"	George E. Thresher.
"	10.	"	James F. Robinson.
Dec.	14.	Daughter to	Evander Parker.
"	19.	"	Horace M. Green.

TOTAL, 22.

MARRIAGES.

Feb.	15.	Frank H. Whipple	to	Lucene C. Fuller.
Oct.	22.	William H. Houghton	"	Ella R. Ripley.
Nov.	16.	John A. Dean	"	Abbie C. Harwood.
Dec.	18.	George D. Whitcomb	"	Emma P. Simmons.
"	25.	Napoleon Pluff	"	Emma Latowne.
"	27.	Henry D. Bullard	"	Lizzie M. Gleason.
"	28.	Jesse Allen	"	Lizzie Sumner.

TOTAL, 7.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	4.	George Caldwell.	80	6	7
"	16.	John Crawford.	81	11	2
"	21.	Elsie Batise.	89	9	0
March	16.	Charles H. Parker.	42	0	0
April	13.	Mary Bartlett.	73	4	26
"	15.	Frederick Perry.	22	2	5
May	8.	Irene Clapp.	81	10	4
"	17.	Martha S. Trowbridge.	23	7	3
"	22.	Hannah P. Allen.	72	9	20
June	6.	Eliza Converse.	69	4	20
July	4.	Sarah L. Burt.	61	4	5
"	30.	Christopher Austin.	68	3	26
Aug.	13.	John Anderson.	77	6	14
Sept.	18.	Louisa L. Robinson.	78	7	15
"	12.	Ethel A. Trowbridge.	0	5	15
Oct.	16.	Abagail B. Adams.	55	3	27
Nov.	1.	Harvey Maynard.	70	11	4
"	30.	William Parmenter.	51	4	26
Dec.	22.	Rebecca S. Ripley.	55	9	12

TOTAL, 19.

FORMER RESIDENTS BURIED IN TOWN.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
March	3.	Nathan Elliot.	49	9	0
April	2.	Lavinia Colton.	72	7	14
July	18.	Betsey W. Parker.	64	5	17
Sept.	27.	Hiram Towne.	48	4	0

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1, 1882.

DR.

To amount in treasury at last report,	$747 02
" appropriated by the town,	750 00
" received from State school fund,	213 73
" " dog tax fund,	96 39
" " coal sold,	3 35
	$1,810 49

CR.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teaching two terms, 16 weeks,	$76 00
By amount paid Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	60 00
Fuel and care of house,	10 50
	$146 50

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lucy E. Morgan, teaching two terms, 16 weeks,	$76 00
By amount paid Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	70 00
Fuel and care of house,	18 00
	$164 00

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teaching two terms,	$96 00
" " Mrs. Minnie Woodis, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	75 00
Fuel and care of house,	14 50
	$185 50

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching three terms, 26 weeks,	$149 00
Fuel and care of house,	16 00
	$165 00

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Mattie J. Dean, teaching two terms, 16 weeks,	$76 00
By amount paid Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teaching one term, 10 weeks,	60 00
By amount paid Mrs. Minnie Woodis, teaching one term, 8 weeks,	40 00
By amount paid Miss Junia S. Bartlett, teaching two terms, 18 weeks,	144 00
Fuel and care of house,	70 25
	$390 25
Total expense of schools chargeable to school fund,	$1.051 10
Balance in treasury belonging to school fund,	759 39

There have been two terms of eight weeks each, and one term of ten weeks, in all the schools in town.

The attendance in the several schools is as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teacher, spring and fall terms. Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teacher, winter term.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	16	Average attendance,			13
Fall " " "	16	"	"		13
Winter " " "	18	"	"		12

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Miss Lucy E. Morgan, teacher, spring and fall terms. Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teacher, winter term.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	20	Average attendance,			18
Fall " " "	15	"	"		13
Winter " " "	18	"	"		13

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teacher, spring and fall terms. Mrs. Minnie Woodis, teacher, winter term.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			30	Average attendance,		26
Fall	"	"	30	"	"	27
Winter	"	"	25	"	"	17

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, spring, fall and winter terms.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			20	Average attendance,		14
Fall	"	"	24	"	"	18
Winter	"	"	26	"	"	17

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Spring term, Mrs. Minnie Woodis and Miss Mattie J. Dean, teachers. Fall term, Miss Junia S. Bartlett and Miss Mattie J. Dean, teachers. Winter term, Miss Junia S. Bartlett and Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teachers.

CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 1.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			13	Average attendance,		12
Fall	"	"	20	"	"	18
Winter	"	"	27	"	"	26

CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 2.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			24	Average attendance,		21
Fall	"	"	28	"	"	25
Winter	"	"	21	"	"	17

The attendance in all the schools was

In the Spring term, whole number			123	Average attendance,		104
" Fall	"	"	133	"	"	114
" Winter	"	"	145	"	"	102

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 5 and 15, as ascertained by the assessors, was 133.

The Committee have exchanged Arithmetics within the year, at a nominal expense of $43.66; although the actual expense is little or nothing, as every scholar now has a new book in place of the old one.

Repairs have been made on the school houses to the amount of $120.00, the West school house having been thoroughly repaired.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS — John Keep. ONE TERM — Fred A. Keep, Pliny Wood.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS — Rosa Parker. ONE TERM — Edith M. Parker, Jennie Bemis, Osy Bourbeau, Oliveanne Bourbeau.

WEST SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS — Julia Marsh, Frank Winslow. ONE TERM — Lena Adams.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS — Josie M. Butterfield, Mary L. Butterfield, Fannie S. Kimball, Sophronia Kimball, Florence M. Needham, John H. Butterfield, C. Edgar Brooks, Alonzo Butterfield.

ONE TERM — Chester Cleveland, Eddie Needham, Harry B. Parker, J. Richard Brennan, Ida F. Needham.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS — Katie Sheern, Lilla Spooner, Lillian Robinson, Jennie Gleason, Bertha Lovell, George Morse.

ONE TERM — Lizzie Sheern, Mary Wilbur, Frank Burt, Charlie Lovell, Ella Sheern, Jesse Robinson, Johnnie Sheern, Dora Sargeant, Jessie Davis, Minnie Spear.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. LINCOLN, } *School*
JESSE ALLEN, } *Committee.*

REPORT

— OF THE —

TOWN OFFICERS

— OF THE —

TOWN OF OAKHAM,

— FOR THE —

Year Ending March 1, 1883.

WORCESTER:
Maynard, Gough & Co., Book and Job Printers, 187 Front Street.
1883.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$15 70	
" " postage and stationery,	8 96	$24 66

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	$50 00	
" " postage and stationery,	5 95	$55 95

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	$50 00	
" " postage and stationery,	1 50	$51 50

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$90 00	$90 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$94 53	
" " postage and express,	4 06	$98 59

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$954 14	$954 14

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Wm. S. Spear,	$42 79
Wm. C. Crawford,	45 68

S. H. Bullard,	23 71	
C. A. Ware,	28 85	
Wm. O. Keep,	26 35	
J. E. Stone,	25 70	
E. H. Dwelly,	14 90	
A. C. Bullard,	15 68	
S. J. Foster,	28 07	
H. W. Lincoln,	35 35	
J. W. Knight,	31 52	
Z. L. Winslow,	22 98	
Wm. A. Nye,	23 29	
M. M. Butterfield,	30 85	
Cheney Bothwell,	8 90	
D. R. Dean,	2 25	$406 87

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid William S. Spear,	$31 43	
J. S. Bruce,	2 00	
Wm. O. Keep,	35 00	
E. H. Dwelly,	41 87	
Wm. C. Crawford,	64 02	
Henry D. Bullard,	43 20	
Jasper P. Morse,	76 00	
John E. Stone,	55 94	
Wm. A. Nye,	77 45	
Cheney Bothwell,	68 52	
J. Waldo Knight,	38 92	
G. W. Stone,	12 64	
H. W. Lincoln,	49 65	
Z. L. Winslow,	35 07	
S. H. Bullard,	57 95	
A. C. Bullard,	18 36	
H. P. Austin,	40 00	$748 02

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Centre School,	$459 46	
Coldbrook School,	184 00	
South School,	183 00	
East School,	174 50	
West School,	243 00	$1,243 96

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid for repairs on West school-house,	$6 68	
South "	194 37	
Centre "	7 56	
book cases " "	10 00	$218 61

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Plimpton,	$48 00	
Charlotte Mullett,	48 00	
Sophronia Green,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter.	48 00	$192 00

SINKING FUND.

Deposited in Worcester Mechanics Savings Bank.	$700 00	$700 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid G. W. Stone for wood for selectmen's office,	$3 00	
Wm. M. Thompson for cutting same,	1 50	
Wm. S. Crawford for guide-boards,	2 00	
Wm. M. Thompson for care of halls and ringing bell.	35 00	
for insurance on school-houses,	6 25	
L. P. DeLand for insurance on Hall farm buildings,	5 40	
for repairs on furnace,	31 33	
abatement of taxes,	26 33	
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing,	51 50	
county tax,	267 00	
for repairing town hall,	2 57	
corporation tax,	25 61	
state tax,	400 00	
J. Packard, services as sexton,	8 00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts for interest,	1,137 50	
Austin Adams for work on Hall farm buildings.	4 00	
George E. Allen for 2 road scrapers.	150 00	$2,156 99

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer. Dr.

To balance, March 1. 1882.	$3.102 53	
cash for rent of Hall farm, above taxes,	44 72	
grass on common,	7 50	

use of town hall,	5 95		
corporation tax,	8 17		
national bank tax,	10 24		
state aid refunded,	250 00		
aid to indigent soldiers refunded,	22 50		
dog fund,	91 66		
coal,	5 05		
from Mass. school fund,	212 50		
for interest on taxes,	50 80		
old bridge plank,	1 00		
town grant,	4,900 00		
state tax,	400 00		
county tax,	267 00		
overlayings,	33 44	$9,413	06

CR.

By paying selectmen's orders,	$6,941 29		
balance in treasury,	2,471 77	$9,413	06

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	$17,500	00 $17,500	00

RAILROAD SINKING FUND.

On deposit at Peoples' Savings Bank, Worcester.	$1,000	00	
Worcester Co. Institution for Savings,	1,000	00	
Worcester Mechanics Savings Banks,	700	00 $2,700	00

With interest accrued on the above deposits.

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES O. AYRES,
AVERY C. BULLARD,
GEORGE W. STONE,
Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1883.

During the past year the demands upon the town for support of those who are in want, have been less numerous than in former years, and there is every probability that during the coming year greater demands will be made upon the treasury of the town, than in the past.

The Overseers congratulate themselves that all the new applicants who have applied for assistance, have been denied, and their legal settlement proved elsewhere.

The past year five persons have received full, and four partial support or temporary relief; total, nine.

And they further report that they have received of the town which they account for as follows:	$954	14
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody for Lucius Wood,	$169	46
Lunatic Hospital for clothing, &c., for Lucius Wood.	17	10
Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody for Eunice M. Walker,	169	46
Paid Susan M. Thresher for L. P. Crawford,	130	00
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	58	50
" " Lucy Robinson,	46	30
Adaline W. Knight for L. Chamberlain,	26	00

Orin D. Barr for Davidson Barr,	110 50
for clothing for the poor,	24 82
for truss for L. P. Crawford,	4 00
Alanson Prouty for groceries and supplies,	65 78
for wood for Mrs. Malinda Woodis in 1881 and '82, fitting same for fire,	45 87
Dr. Brigham for L. P. Crawford,	3 75
" " Eunice M. Walker,	4 00
" " Lucy Robinson,	75
Dr. Witter for Davidson Barr,	11 50
Dr. Spencer for Horace Green's child,	16 00
Dr. Everett for L. P. Crawford,	1 75
Dr. Garrigan for Davidson Barr,	5 00
H. P. Austin, 4 bushels potatoes for Malinda Woodis,	4 00
Overseers for journey to North Brookfield and Worcester,	2 50
postage and stationery,	2 10
Overseers for services,	30 00
In hands of overseers,	5 00
Whole amount received,	$954 14
Whole amount paid,	949 14

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
} Overseers of the Poor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM, 1882.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	16	Son to	Cheney Bothwell.
March	25	Daughter to	Lewis Snay.
April	27	Son to	W. Prescott Adams.
May	13	Son to	Lewis Barbeaux.
June	24	Daughter to	John W. Pierce.
July	8	Daughter to	Frank Boyd.
"	14	Daughter to	Mildmay Parker.
"	27	Daughter to	Charles Gleason.
Aug.	29	Son to	Charles S. Clifford.
Nov.	7	Son to	Jesse Allen.
Dec.	5	Son to	Isadore Snay.
"	13	Son to	William C. Ayres.
"	15	Son to	Peter Snay
"	18	Daughter to	James K. Clark.

TOTAL, 14.

MARRIAGES.

Jan.	4,	William W. Conant	to	Evelyn W. Hawks.
"	7,	H. Martin Maynard	"	Ella E. Bears.
Feb.	11,	Lewis Freeman	"	Martha D. Walker.
"	22,	Daniel Rugg	"	Maria T. Fairbank.
May	11,	Hiram F. Clark	"	Mary E. Perkins.
June	6,	Walter L. Ripley	"	Florence N. Duffy.
Oct.	23,	John Latoun	"	Lizzie Morse.
Nov.	11,	David O. Robbins	"	Florence E. Herbert.
"	21,	Edward H. Dwelley	"	Emma F. Robinson.
"	30,	Charles J. Barr	"	Samantha M. Fuller.

TOTAL, 10.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	6,	Andrew J. Woodbury,	25	9	27
"	17,	Alvira Crawford,	74	4	7
Mar.	13,	Melina Thompson,	85	1	25
May	9,	Henry P. Whitcomb,	0	11	25
June	26,	Lewis Davis,	48	10	29
Aug.	6	John Sweeney,	66	0	0

TOTAL, 6.

The smallest number on record.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1, 1883.

DR.

To amount appropriated by the town,	$750 00
received from state school fund,	212 50
dog tax fund,	91 66
coal sold,	5 05
	$1,059 21

CR.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teaching spring term, 8 weeks,	$48 00
Miss Agnes T. Briden, teaching fall term, 8 weeks,	60 00
Miss Mary E. Stearns, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	55 00
fuel and care of house,	15 50
	$178 50

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lucy E. Morgan, teaching spring and fall terms, 16 weeks,	$96 00
Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	70 00
fuel and care of house,	17 00
	$183 00

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Mrs. Minnie Woodis, teaching spring and winter terms, 18 weeks,	$127 00
Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teaching fall term, 8 weeks,	52 00
fuel and care of house,	15 50
	$194 50

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Mary E. Stearns, teaching spring and fall terms, 16 weeks,	$84 00
Miss Lizzie Butler, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	75 00
fuel and care of house,	17 00
	$176 00

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teaching spring term, 8 weeks,	$60 00
Miss M. L. Beeman, teaching fall and winter terms, 18 weeks,	162 00
Miss Jessie A. Morgan, teaching fall and winter terms, 18 weeks,	162 00
fuel and care of house,	75 46
	$459 46
Total expense of schools for the year,	$1,191 46

There have been two terms of eight weeks each, and one term of ten weeks, in all the schools in town.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			17	Average attendance,		15
Fall	"	"	24	"	"	21
Winter	"	"	19	"	"	17

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,			17	Average attendance,		15
Fall	"	"	17	"	"	14
Winter	"	"	22	"	"	17

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	27	Average attendance,	25		
Fall " " "	30	" "	28		
Winter " " "	36	" "	33		

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	20	Average attendance,	15
Fall " " "	20	" "	16
Winter " " "	27	" "	22

CENTRE SCHOOL. No. 1.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	49	Average attendance,	43
Fall " " "	29	" "	26
Winter " " "	26	" "	24

CENTRE SCHOOL. No. 2.

Fall term, whole number scholars,	32	Average attendance,	28
Winter " " "	28	" "	23

The attendance in all the schools has been,

In the Spring term, whole number,	130	Average attendance,	113
In the Fall " "	152	" "	132
In the Winter " "	158	" "	136

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 5 and 15, as ascertained by the assessors, was 131.

Barnes' U. S. History has been introduced into the schools within the year.

The South School-house has been thoroughly repaired, at an expense of about $200.00.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

One Term — Rosa Parker, Fred Keep, John Keep, Arthur Leland.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Three Terms—Jennie Bemis. One Term—Osy Bourbeau, Oliveanne Bourbeau, Delord Ledoux. Walter Remington.

WEST SCHOOL.

Two Terms — Effie T. Adams. One Term — Lena R. Adams, Leon Adams, Lester Knight, Louisa Shegnon, Corinda Shegnon, Rosa Shegnon, Edmund Shegnon.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Three Terms — Alonzo Butterfield. Two Terms — John H. Butterfield, Willie Needham, M. Josie Butterfield, Sophronia Kimball, Mamie Butterfield. One Term — Fannie S. Kimball, Mary N. Cleavland, Alice J. Needham, Gilbert T. Butterfield, Fred Rice.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Three Terms—Jennie Gleason, Johnnie Sheern. Two Terms—Jesse Robinson, Gracie Gleason, Bertha Lovell, Dora Sargeant, Lizzie Briggs, Ella Sheern, Katie Sheern, Lillian Robinson, Elsie Sargeant. One Term — Geo. L. Perkins, Daniel E. Holden, Lillian B. Spooner, Minnie Spear, Anna C. Lovell, Gracie E. Lovell, Carrie Winter, Jessie Davis, Maria Lincoln, Lizzie Sheern, Geo. Morse.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE W. LINCOLN, } School
JESSE ALLEN, } Committee.

REPORT

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$19 85	
" " express and stationery,	3 60	$23 45

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	$40 00	
" " postage and stationery,	4 37	$44 37

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	$10 00	$10 00

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services.	$53 00	
" " postage and stationery,	1 58	$54 58

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$80 00	
" " express and postage,	75	$80 75

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$115 85	$115 85

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$1,066 26	$1,066 26

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid B. P. Clark,	$2 20	
J. W. Ayres,	2 85	
C. Bothwell,	8 84	
H. P. Austin,	9 20	
H. W. Lincoln,	13 14	
Z. L. Winslow,	18 53	
J. E. Stone,	7 38	
William C. Crawford,	15 84	
Wm. O. Keep,	14 79	
H. D. Bullard,	8 48	
J. W. Knight,	16 85	
W. A. Nye,	8 39	
J. P. Morse,	1 35	
E. H. Dwelly,	2 95	
Wm. S. Spear,	10 20	
S. H. Bullard,	6 80	$147 79

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid B. P. Clark,	$61 30	
D. M. Parker,	19 76	
C. A. Ware,	64 39	
H. D. Bullard,	30 60	
James Tomlinson,	69 38	
W. A. Nye,	55 00	
Wm. O. Keep,	35 40	
Cheney Bothwell.	75 00	
E. H. Dwelly,	40 50	
Geo. W. Stone,	70 70	
W. A. Burt,	67 10	
Wm. S. Spear,	28 05	
J. W. Knight,	36 10	
S. Cochran,	11 02	
H. P. Austin,	37 00	
S. H. Bullard,	44 22	
D. R. Dean,	4 32	
Z. L. Winslow,	26 92	$776 76

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East School,	$194 75	
West "	230 50	
Coldbrook School,	247 85	
South "	200 20	
Centre, "	470 35	$1,343 65

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid for repairing Coldbrook school house,	$71 37	
West "	4 63	

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Plimpton,	$48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	
Charlotte Mullett,	48 00	
Sophronia Green,	48 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	$240 00

SINKING FUND.

Deposited in North Brookfield Savings Bank,	$600 00	$600 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid J. W. Ayres for repairs on Hall farm buildings,	$5.00	
Wm. M. Thompson for ringing bell and care of hall,	35 00	
freight on road machine,	10 22	
W. E. Johnson for road machine,	144 78	
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing,	24 50	
Geo. W. Taft for repairs of scraper,	7 00	
abatement of taxes,	6 60	
J. Tomlinson for grading common.	20 50	
E. J. Sargeant, repairs of hearse,	20 50	
county tax,	282 00	
state treasurer, one-fourth liquor license,	37 50	
state tax,	315 00	
James Packard, repairs on hall,	2 30	
James Packard for services as sexton,	16 25	
for lamps for hall,	2 70	
for school books,	13 75	
for interest,	1,137 50	$2,081 10

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer. Dr.

To balance March 1, 1883,	$2,472 24	
cash for liquor license,	150 00	
" grass on the common,	10 25	
" rent of Hall farm above taxes,	48 46	
" support of state pauper,	2 50	
cash from North Brookfield for support of paupers,	16 00	
corporation tax,	5 78	
National Bank tax,	11 61	
state aid refunded,	192 00	
dog tax refunded,	101 24	
cash from Mass. school fund,	213 51	
town grant,	5,025 00	
state tax,	315 00	
county tax,	282 00	
overlayings on taxes,	111 24	
cash for use of hall, and coal,	52 00	
interest on taxes,	48 80	$9,057 63

CR.

By paying selectmen's orders,	$6,660 56	
balance carried to new account,	2,397 07	$9,057 63

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	$17,500 00	$17,500 00

SINKING FUND.

On deposit at Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester,	$1,000 00	
" Worcester County Institution for Savings, Worcester,	1,000 00	
" Mechanics Savings Bank, Worcester,	700 00	
" North Brookfield Savings Bank,	600 00	$3,300 00

With interest accrued on the above deposits.

MOSES O. AYRES,
AVERY C. BULLARD,
CLARENCE H. PARKER,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

The Overseers, in presenting to the town the result of their work for the year ending January 1st, 1884, respectfully submit the following report.

During the past year seven persons have received full, and ten partial support.

And they further report that they have received of the town	$1,066 24
In hands of Overseers at last settlement,	5 00
Received from the sale of clothing,	25
	$1,071 49

Which they account for as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital of Worcester, for treatment and custody of Lucius Wood, from Jan. 1 to Mar. 31, 1883,	$41 79
repairing shoes ($1.20), slippers ($1,25),	2 45
the same for Eunice M. Walker,	41 79
" " " " hair pins,	05
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford,	26 00
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " sewing, &c., for the poor,	2 30
North Brookfield for Joseph Braw,	19 61
Orin D. Barr for Davidson Barr,	32 50
A. Prouty for groceries and supplies,	17 14
D. R. Dean for three cords of wood for Mrs. Melinda Woodis,	4 50
A. J. Holden for fitting the same for stove,	4 00
H. P. Austin, hauling three cords wood for Mrs. Melinda Woodis,	2 25
H. P. Austin, one bushel of potatoes for Mrs. Woodis.	1 00
Lewis N. Haskell for one cord of wood, Melinda Woodis,	4 00
William A. Mendell for fitting the same for the stove,	1 50
Wm. S. Crawford for keeping seven tramps,	3 75
	$230 63

Received of the town of Oakham for the support of poor, July 1, 1883,	$216 27

Which was paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody of Lucius Wood from April 1 to June 30,	$42 25
1 chamber (40c.), 1 plate (8c.), 1 suit ($8.50)	8 98
2 mugs (16c.), 2 shirts ($1.00), 3 pairs socks (60c.).	1 76
collars,	20
the same for Eunice M. Walker,	42 25
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford,	32 50
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
A. Prouty for groceries and supplies,	19 58
Orin D. Barr for Davidson Barr,	39 00
Susan M. Thrasher for sewing and medicine for the poor,	3 75
	$216 27

Received of the town for the support of the poor, Oct, 1, 1883.	$303 00

Which was paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody of Lucius Wood from July 1 to Sept. 30,	$42 71
2 chambers (50c.), 1 plate (8c.),	58
slippers ($1.00), pants ($3.25), 1 light glass (15c.),	4 40
the same for Eunice M. Walker,	42 71
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford,	32 50
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " sewing and medicine for the poor,	2 85
Orin Barr for Davidson Barr,	39 00
Dr. Garrigan for "	2 25
A. Prouty for groceries and supplies,	16 28
Zebina Winslow for Rassellas Winslow,	20 25
Charles Parkman for care and nursing of Charles Frew,	32 00
Dr. Witter for medical attendance of Charles Frew,	7 00
James Packard for burial expenses of Charles Frew,	12 00

Paid Cheney Bothwell for boarding Sarah E. and Martha L. Frew 4 weeks,	$16 00
John Robinson for keeping 3 tramps,	1 50
for socks and shirts for R. Winslow,	2 00
for 1 skirt for Mrs. Davidson Barr,	1 00
North Brookfield for Joseph Braw,	3 30
	$304 33

Received of the town of Oakham, for the support of poor, January 1, 1884, $316 36

Which was paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital, for treatment and custody of Lucius Wood, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 15, 1883,	$35 29
2 undershirts ($1.00) 2 pair drawers ($1.00)	2 00
1 pair shoes ($1.35) 1 cap (50c.) 1 suit ($8.50) postage (2c.)	10 37
2 shirts ($1.00) suspenders (25c.) 1 bosom shirt ($1.00)	2 25
coffin, robe and attendance,	12 00
the same for Eunice M. Walker, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1883,	42 71
2 undershirts ($1.30), 1 pair boots ($1.50), 2 pair hose (60c.),	3 40
5 yds. cotton (63c.), 2 flannel skirts ($2.00),	2 63
2 aprons (60c.), postage (2c.),	62
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford,	32 50
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " sewing and medicine for the poor,	2 55
Orin D. Barr for Davidson Barr,	39 00
Zebina L. Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	29 25
J. W. Bemis for " "	2 60
telegram from Worcester,	1 50
4 cords of wood for Mrs. Woodis, and fitting same for stove,	15 00
A. Prouty for groceries and supplies for poor,	20 32
H. P. Austin for 4 bushels potatoes, Mrs. Woodis,	2 00
James Packard for journey to Worcester for remains of Lucius Wood,	4 00
James Packard for opening and closing grave of Lucius Wood,	2 00

Paid express charges,	40
postage and stationery,	1 87
overseers for services,	30 00
	$320 26

Received of the town during the year,	$1,066 24
Balance in the hands of overseers at last settlement,	5 00
Received from the sale of clothing,	25
	$1,071 49

Whole amount paid during the year,	$1,071 49

Received of the town of North Brookfield,	$16 00
Due from the Commonwealth for the expenses incurred in the sickness, death and burial of Charles Frew, an acknowledged state pauper,	42 86
	$58 86

Whole cost for support of poor during the year.	$1,012 63

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
} Overseers of the Poor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM, 1883.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	11	Daughter to	Walter L. Ripley.
"	15	Son to	John Gilboy.
"	26	Daughter to	Wm. W. Conant.
March	28	Daughter to	George E. Thresher.
"	28	Son to	James Sheern.
May	2	Son to	Edgar J. Cleaveland.
"	15	Son to	Sanford H. Bullard.
"	15	Daughter to	Stephen M. Sargeant.
"	30	Daughter to	Albert B. Ware.
June	8	Daughter to	Peter Dusette.
July	11	Son to	Hiram F. Clark.
"	11	Son to	George Pratt.
"	12	Son to	Patrick Cummings.
Aug.	12	Daughter to	Gardner M. Dean.
"	21	Son to	Nelson H. Muzzy.
Sept.	24	Daughter to	Henry D. Bullard.
"	27	Daughter to	Edward Luce.
Oct.	12	Daughter to	Charles B. Caldwell.
"	13	Daughter to	Jesse Allen.
"	28	Son to	Marcus M. Butterfield.
"	29	Son to	Edward H. Dwelley.
Nov.	4	Son to	Henry Sheen.
"	15	Daughter to	Horace M. Greene.
Dec.	16	Son to	David Hallowell.
"	25	Son to	John W. Pierce.

TOTAL, 25.

MARRIAGES.

Jan.	17,	Sanford H. Bullard	to	Ella S. Fobes.
March	2,	Fred. E. Reed.	"	Sarah J. Parker.
April	24,	Francis W. Babcock	"	Katie Davitt.
"	30.	Edwin Green	"	Mary E. Gleason.
May	10,	Louis Greeley	"	Kate M. Woodis.
June	2,	David Hallowell	"	Harriet S. Henry.
"	19,	Josia J. Henshaw	"	Mary J. Robinson.
"	20,	Benjamin F. Thresher	"	Julia A. Dunn.
Aug.	18,	Wm. Wallace Grimes.	"	Cora V. Vaughan.
Sept.	13,	Frank S. Conant	"	Lillian E. Crawford.
Nov.	21,	Charles E. Parker	"	Nellie A. Davis.
"	22,	Watson A. Bushnell	"	Mrs. Lizzie P. Fairbank.
"	28,	Edwin A. Stone	"	Allie M. Gleason.

TOTAL, 13.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	16,	Joseph A. Cleaveland,	56	10	26
March	6,	Horatio W. Perkins,	65	1	
"	15,	George Snay.	0	3	
"	25,	Jonathan Lovell,	79	11	3
May	12,	Bessie Haskell,	21	8	9
June	5,	Alfred E. Burt.	62	9	8
"	24,	Olive S. Holman,	35	11	18
Aug.	26,	Alice H. Bemis,	27		
Sept.	13,	Charles Frew,	67	6	
Nov.	5,	Martha W. Lincoln,	79	5	
"	22,	Joseph Dwelley,	92	1	5
Dec.	15,	Lucius Wood,	50		

TOTAL, 12.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1, 1884.

DR.

To amount appropriated by the town,	$950 00
received from state school fund,	213 51
dog tax fund,	101 24
	$1,264 75

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EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Mary E. Stearns, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$180 00
fuel and care of house,	14 75
	$194 75

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lucy E. Morgan, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks,	$114 00
Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	77 00
fuel and care of house,	9 20
	$200 20

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Mary L. Wells, teaching spring term, 8 weeks.	$54 60
Miss Helen E. Deane, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	70 00
Miss Valetta C. Marean, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	88 00
fuel and care of house,	22 25
	$234 85

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lizzie J. Bullard, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks,	$114 00
Miss Helen E. Deane, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	99 00
fuel and care of house,	17 50
	$230 50

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching spring, fall and winter terms,	212 00
Mr. H. E. Richardson, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	179 00
fuel and care of house,	67 60
	$458 60
Total expense of schools for the year,	$1,318 90

There have been three terms in all the schools in town, of 9, 10 and 11 weeks, respectively.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	19	Average attendance,	15		
Fall " " "	21	" "	13		
Winter " " "	10	" "	8		

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	20	Average attendance,	18		
Fall " " "	21	" "	15		
Winter " " "	17	" "	14		

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	26	Average attendance,	24		
Fall " " "	27	" "	24		
Winter " " "	29	" "	25		

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	20	Average attendance,	16		
Fall " " "	20	" "	16		
Winter, " " "	30	" "	24		

CENTRE — No. 1.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	40	Average attendance,	38
Fall " " "	20	" "	19
Winter " " "	28	" "	26

CENTRE — No. 2.

Fall term, whole number scholars,	27	Average attendance,	26
Winter term, " "	21	" "	19

The attendance in all the schools has been

In the Spring term, whole number,	125	Average attendance,	111
In the Fall " "	136	" "	113
In the Winter " "	135	" "	116

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 5 and 15, as ascertained by the assessors, was 135.

Lippincott's series of Readers has been introduced into all the schools within the year.

The school house at Coldbrook has been repaired at an expense of about $100.00.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Rosa Parker. ONE TERM—Bessie Weld, Eveline Leland, Etta Leland, Warren Leland, Arthur Leland.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—Gertie Kennen. ONE TERM—Mary E. Kennen, Jennie E. Bemis.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—Mary Butterfield, Edith M. Bruce, Bessie Bruce, Jennie Gleason, John Butterfield, Alonzo Butterfield. ONE TERM—Harry Parker, Belle Brooks, Gracie Gleason, Mary Cleaveland, Bertie Butterfield, Fred Rice.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Lilla Spooner, Bertha Lovell, Lizzie Briggs, Jessie Robinson, Newton Green, Lillian Robinson. TWO TERMS—Maria Lincoln, George Briggs, Jessie Davis. ONE TERM—Ella Sheern, Kate Sheern, Carrie Winter, Florence Caldwell, John Sheern, George Perkins, Lena Adams, Etta Bullard, Sarah Butler, Bertha Bartlett, Eldora Sargeant, Stephen H. Lincoln, George Morse, Herbert Loring, Jr., Clarence Dean, Minnie Dean, Harry Caldwell.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE W. LINCOLN, } School
JESSE ALLEN, } Committee.

REPORT

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$15 80	
" " " express and postage.	5 85	$21 65

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services.	$55 00	
" " stationery, postage and express.	2 38	$57 38

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	$10 00	$10 00

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services.	$40 00	
" " postage and stationery,	5 12	$45 12

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services.	$72 00	
" " postage and express,	1 60	$73 60

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services.	$107 00	$107 00

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$1,174 44	$1,174 44

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Wm. O. Keep,	$23 10	
James Tomlinson,	10 47	
C. A. Ware,	23 26	
E. H. Dwelly,	8 65	
H. D. Bullard,	11 37	
J. W. Knight,	22 03	
Z. L. Winslow,	12 98	
George W. Stone,	18 50	
Wm. A. Burt,	24 62	
S. H. Bullard,	18 82	
Wm. A. Nye,	13 55	
H. P. Austin,	6 85	
Wm. S. Spear,	6 45	
Lewis N. Haskell,	7 90	$208 55

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid Wm. O. Keep,	$30 74	
James Tomlinson,	62 37	
Edwin S. Parker,	59 86	
E. H. Dwelly,	35 30	
H. D. Bullard,	38 67	
Z. L. Winslow,	34 69	
George W. Stone,	40 97	
S. H. Bullard,	41 26	
Cheney Bothwell,	60 30	
Wm. A. Nye,	52 30	
Peter White,	31 75	
H. P. Austin,	37 25	
Lewis N. Haskell,	41 45	
B. P. Clark (for two years),	168 00	$734 91

REBUILDING BRIDGE.

Paid N. N. Brooks,	$49 77	
Michael Gaffney,	46 80	
D. R. Dean,	28 85	$125 42

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East District,	$64 25		
West "	228 50		
Coldbrook District,	228 75		
Centre "	337 37		
South "	212 70		
Bessie Weld for transporting scholars,	47 50		
George F. Conant, " "	22 50	$1,141	57

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid for repairs on Coldbrook School House,	$3 56		
closets for Centre " "	66 69		
repairs on East " "	50		
" " West " "	1 55		
" " South " "	25	$72	55

STATE AID

Paid E. Mullett, guardian of Charlotte Mullett	$48 00	
Eliza Plimpton,	32 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Sophronia Green,	20 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	
Lucy A. Parker,	4 00	$200 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Thompson, ringing bell and care of hall,	$36 50		
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing,	24 50		
George W. Stone for celebration of Memorial day,	20 00		
Patrick Gaffney for damages to horse,	35 00		
James Packard for repairs on Hall farm buildings,	8 87		
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for certificate of births,	3 75		
for advertising and selling the Hall farm,	15 24		
D. A. Gleason, Treasurer, for interest,	1,137 50		
James Packard one-fourth expense of shingling church,	49 27		
county tax,	257 00		
state tax,	420 00		
for school books,	332 10		

Paid for insurance,	$84 38	
sinking fund,	600 00	
repairing furnace.	18 45	
repairs for road scraper.	8 00	
grading common,	23 75	
James Packard, services as sexton.	50 25	
State Treasurer one-fourth liquor license,	25 00	
Abatement of taxes.	13 38	$3,162 94

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer. Dr.

To balance in Treasury, March 1, 1884.	$2,397 07	
cash of the town of Barre for tuition.	12 00	
" for use of town hall.	27 90	
" " grass on the common.	6 75	
" " coal,	2 00	
" " auctioneer's license,	2 00	
" " rent of Hall farm above taxes,	43 87	
" from the town of Sterling.	57 76	
" for support of state paupers,	32 86	
" " burial of state paupers,	20 00	
" liquor license,	100 00	
" for interest on taxes.	52 93	
" from sale of Rocky Hill lot.	102 00	
" " " Hall farm.	265 00	
" " corporation tax,	9 81	
" " National Bank tax.	10 45	
" " state aid refunded,	236 00	
" " dog fund.	114 68	
" " school fund.	308 78	
town grant,	4,990 00	
state tax.	420 00	
county tax.	257 00	
overlayings,	12 28	$9,481 14

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By paying Selectmen's orders.		$7,135 13
Balance in treasury,		$2,346 01

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	$17,500 00	$17,500 00

SINKING FUND.

On deposit at Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester.	$1,000 00	
" Worcester County Institution for Savings, Worcester.	1,000 00	
" Mechanics Savings Bank, Worcester.	700 00	
" North Brookfield Savings Bank,	600 00	
" First National Bank, Worcester.	600 00	$3,900 00

With accrued interest.

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES O. AYRES,
CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

The Board of Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Oakham herewith respectfully submits its Annual Report, for the year ending January 1st, 1885.

No new members having been added to our force during the year. Seven persons were receiving full support to December 12th, 1884. Since that time six only have received such support. Two persons have received partial support the past year. Whole number nine.

Received of the Town for support of poor, April 5th, 1884.	$272 39
Paid as follows:—	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker.	$ 42 25
" " Benj. Nurse,	16 25
" " collar 20c, postage 8c,	28
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford,	32 50
" " Charles Burt,	27 00
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " medicine, etc.,	40
Orin D. Barr and Albert Ware for Davidson Barr,	39 00
Zebina Winslow for Rassellas Winslow,	29 25
Dr. Sawyer for medical attendance	17 40
Alanson Prouty for merchandise	13 41
Mrs. E. R. Rollins for Charles Burt,	16 00
Page Austin for journey to Hubbardston,	3 00
" " keeping one tramp,	50
John Robinson for keeping one tramp,	75
Wm. S. Crawford for keeping two tramps,	1 50
" " medicine	90
H. P. Austin 1 bush. potatoes for Mrs. Woodis,	1 40
In hands of Overseers,	4 60
	$272 39

Received of the town for the support of poor, July 1, 1884, $262 30

Accounted for as follows:—

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,	$42 25
" " Benjamin Nurse, from April 1st to April 22d, 3 1-7 weeks.	10 21
slippers($1.00), 3 pairs socks, (60c.), 2 undershirts ($1.00),	2 60
2 pairs drawers ($1.00), 2 shirts ($1.00),	2 00
3 handkerchiefs (35c.), postage (6c.),	41
Susan M. Thrasher for Lyman P. Crawford.	32 50
" " Charles Burt.	39 00
" " Lydia Chamberlain.	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson.	6 50
Zebina Winslow for Rassellas Winslow	29 25
Albert Ware for Davidson Barr.	45 50
Alanson Prouty for clothing, groceries, &c.,	19 18
Dr. Sawyer for medical attendance,	6 25
H. P. Austin, 2 bushels potatoes, Mrs. Woodis,	70
" " services in case of Benjamin Nurse,	3 00
Horace Wilbur, mending shoes,	50
In hands of Overseers,	2 95
	$262 30

Received of the Town for support of the poor, Oct. 4th, 1884. $294 76
In hands of Overseers, April statement. 4 60

$299 36

Paid as follows:—

Paid Dr. E. L. Sawyer, medicine for Crawford and Burt.	$ 1 75
" " five visits to James Welsh,	7 50
" " one bottle Brandy for same,	1 50
James Packard coffin for James Welsh.	10 00
Mrs. C. M. Maynard, opening and closing for J. Welsh.	2 00
Dr. E. L. Sawyer, eleven visits to Mrs. Anna M. Knights	16 50
Mrs. Wm. P. Dwelly for nursing Mrs. Anna M. Knights, 14 days.	14 00
State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker, 13 1-7 w'ks.	42 71
same 10 yds. print (70c.), 10 yds. cotton ($1), 4 spls. cot. (20c.),	1 90
pencil (3c), needles (5c.) elastic (3c.),	11

Paid 3 prs. hose (90c.), 1 skirt (65c.), hat (40c.),	$1 95
10 yds. print (70c.)	70
Susan M. Thatcher for Lyman P. Crawford,	25 00
" " Charles Burt,	39 00
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " sewing for the poor	3 80
Zebinas Winslow for Rassellas Winslow,	29 75
Albert Ware for Davidson Barr,	45 50
Alanson Prouty, groceries, clothing, etc., for poor,	17 09
S. Cochran, 2 cords wood, Mrs. Woodis,	5 00
Wm. Mandall, fitting same for stove,	3 00
Expenses for L. P. Crawford,	4 60
	$299 36
Received of the town for support of the poor, Jan. 3, 1885,	$298 44
Paid as follows:—	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,	$42 71
Albert Ware for Davidson Barr,	52 37
Susan M. Thrasher for Charles Burt,	39 00
" " Lyman P. Crawford,	32 50
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " Lucy Robinson,	6 50
" " sewing for the poor,	2 80
Zebina Winslow for Rassellas Winslow,	37 50
Alanson Prouty for groceries, clothing, &c.,	23 69
Dr. Sawyer for medical attendance,	14 05
Mrs. W. P. Dwelly for nursing Mrs. Anna M. Knight.	14 11
Wm. Holman for aid rendered Mrs. Anna M. Knight while sick,	2 86
S. C. Cockran for wood for Mrs. M. Woodis,	4 25
Wm. Mandall, fitting one cord wood for stove for Mrs. Woodis.	1 50
Overseers, cash in excess of drawing, July 1, 1884,	50
H. P. Austin for 4 bushels potatoes for Mrs. Woodis.	1 60
for pants for C. Burt,	3 00
	$298 44
Received of the Town for support of the poor, Jan. 3d, 1885.	$46 55
In hands of Overseers,	2 95
	$49 50

Paid as follows;—

Paid Albert Ware for Davidson Barr,	$13 00
John Robinson for five tramps,	2 50
postage and stationery,	1 10
H. P. Austin 1 bu. potatoes,	50
Overseers for services,	30 00
In hands of Overseers,	2 40
	49 50

Amount received for paupers.

Expenses,		$1,174 44
Paid,	$1,172 04	
In hands of Overseers,	2 40	
		$1,174 44

Received of the Town of Sterling,	$56 95
" the Commonwealth,	10 00
" the estate of James Welsh above bills paid for care while sick,	9 27
	$76 22
Cash on hand,	2 40
	$78 62
Net cost for support of the poor,	$1,095 82

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JOHN ROBINSON,
WM. S. CRAWFORD,
} Overseers of the Poor

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM, 1884.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	7	Daughter to	William C. Ayres.
March	4	Son to	Louis Latoun.
"	14	Daughter to	Charles S. A. Woodbury.
"	16	Daughter to	Orvid Latoun.
"	20	Daughter to	Wm. H. Parker.
Apr.	18	Daughter to	Wm. Wallace Grimes.
May	26	Daughter to	Charles S. Clifford.
June	8	Daughter to	John Gilboy.
July	26	Son to	John E. Stone.
"	29	Son to	Munroe C. Needham.
Aug.	8	Daughter to	Louis Greeley.
"	22	Son to	Prof. H. P. Wright.
Sept.	14	Son to	James K. Clark.
"	14	Son to	George E. Thresher.
"	16	Son to	Frank S. Conant
"	22	Son to	George D. Davis.
Oct.	6	Daughter to	Joseph Chagnon.

TOTAL, 17.

MARRIAGES.

Feb.	21,	Michael Gorman	to	Jane Gaffney.
Apr.	13,	James W. Bemis	"	Mrs Mary E. Tamplin.
"	14,	George D. Davis	"	Carrie Bartlett.
"	23,	William C. Crawford	"	Olive S. Hapgood.
June	14,	Francis E. Bryant	"	Hannah Dove.
July	9,	Henry L. Babbitt	"	Hattie A. Morse.

TOTAL, 6.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Feb.	9,	Thatcher A. Morgan,	60	4	
March	9,	Elizabeth R. Loring,	76	10	
April	22,	Alice C. Grimes,			4
July	10,	Sophronia Green,	69	3	10
"	22,	Mark Haskell,	71	1	22
Aug.	2,	Rosetta E. Loring,	34	9	17
"	11,	William E. Keep,	81	10	16
"	20,	Thomas Chamberlain,	78		17
Sept.	8,	David Welch,	28		
"	10,	Elizabeth Sherman,	72	10	14
"	17,	James J. Sheern,	5	3	16
Oct.	1,	Henry T. Sheern,	1	6	3
"	2,	Eliza Plympton,	83	3	12
"	7,	Abby P. Lincoln,	51		
"	19,	Constant B. Thresher,		1	7
Dec.	4,	John P. Butterfield,	78	9	26
"	6,	Fanny M. Thompson,	57	5	3
"	21,	Nellie M. Thresher,	4	2	22

TOTAL, 18.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1st, 1885.

DR.

To amount appropriated by the town,		$950 00
" " " "	for conveyance of scholars,	75 00
Received from state school fund,		308 78
dog tax fund,		114 68
coal sold,		5 00
		$1,453 46

CR.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Jennie E. Gates, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	$55 00
fuel and care of house,	9 25
for conveying scholars to Centre School.	47 50
	$111 75

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Lucy E. Morgan, teaching spring term, 9 weeks,	$54 00
Mr. Edgar H. Parkman, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	60 00
Mr. Leonard P. Lovell, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	77 00
fuel and care of house,	12 20
	$203 20

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Valetta C. Mareau, teaching spring term. 9 weeks,	$63	00
Miss Mary Wells, teaching fall and winter terms, 21 weeks,	147	50
fuel and care of house,	16	75
	$227	25

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Elsie L. Sargeant, teaching spring term, 9 weeks,	$45	00
Miss Maria L. Estabrook, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	60	00
Mr. Edgar H. Parkman, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	99	00
fuel and care of house,	18	00
	$222	00

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$215	50
Miss Etta L. Miles, teaching spring and fall terms, 15 weeks,	130	50
Miss Alice Ayres, teaching winter term, 15 weeks,	120	00
fuel and care of house,	75	42
	$541	42
Total expense of schools for the year,	$1,380	62

There have been three terms in all the schools in town, of 9, 10 and 11 weeks, respectively.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:—

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Winter term, whole number scholars,	11	Average attendance,	8

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	18	Average attendance,	14
Fall " " "	17	" "	11
Winter " " "	16	" "	14

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	27	Average attendance,	24
Fall " " "	32	" "	29
Winter " " "	33	" "	26

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	14	Average attendance,	10
Fall " " "	19	" "	9
Winter " " "	30	" "	18

CENTRE—No. 1.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	27	Average attendance,	25
Fall " " "	30	" "	27
Winter " " "	39	" "	25

CENTRE—No. 2.

Spring term, whole number scholars,	29	Average attendance,	27
Fall " " "	32	" "	29
Winter " " "	32	" "	24

The attendance in all the schools has been

In the spring term, whole number,	115	Average attendance,	100
In the Fall " "	130	" "	105
In the Winter " "	161	" "	125

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 5 and 15, as ascertained by the Assessors was 129.

School supplies have been furnished to all scholars in compliance with the law of the State.

The scholars from the south-west part of the town have been conveyed to the Centre School at an expense of seventy-five dollars, in accordance with the vote of the Town.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL

THREE TERMS—Gilbert T. Butterfield. TWO TERMS—Edith M. Bruce, Mary L. Butterfield, Carrie Sibley, John H. Butterfield, Alonzo M. Butterfield. ONE TERM—Bessie L. Bruce, Sophronia S. Kimball, Lottie M. Sibley, Henry B. Sibley, Ethel L. Bemis, Edna J. Bemis, Jennie M. Gleason, Grace C. Gleason, C. Edgar Brooks, Morton H. Brooks, Kate R. Munroe, Virgil R. Parker.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Lillian Robinson, Dora E. Sargeant, Lena R. Adams, Bertha C. Lovell, Maria L. Lincoln, Bessie Weld, Carrie Winter, James P. Fairbank, George Perkins, Daniel E. Holden, Jessie Robinson, D. Oscar Lovell.

WEST SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—Lester W. Knight. ONE TERM—L. Mabel Austin, Frank Winslow, John Gilboy.

Respectfully submitted.

HORACE W. LINCOLN,
JESSE ALLEN,
ELIHU L. SAWYER
} School Committee.

REPORT

OF THE

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OF THE

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FOR THE

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WORCESTER:
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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$24 70	
" " express and postage,	3 10	$27 80

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	$40 00	$40 00

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	$10 00	
" " postage and stationery,	5 16	$15 16

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$66 00	
" " express and postage,	70	$66 70

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	$55 00	
" " postage and express,	5 02	$60 02

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$128 00	$128 00

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$802 59	$802 59

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid E. S. Parker,	$4 80		
Peter White,	14 98		
Z. L. Winslow,	8 44		
George W. Stone,	12 24		
C. S. Clifford,	18 51		
Wm. O. Keep,	18 42		
H. D. Bullard,	4 23		
L. N. Haskell,	9 70		
Wm. A. Nye,	12 55		
Wm. S. Spear,	82		
B. P. Clark	4 58		
S. H. Bullard,	7 40	$116 67	

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid C. S. Clifford, for 1884–1885,	$134 25		
H. D. Bullard,	50 78		
E. H. Dwelly,	54 15		
Wm. O. Keep,	51 66		
George W. Stone,	54 80		
Wm. A. Nye,	139 00		
E. S. Parker,	63 00		
S. C. Cochran,	48 85		
Cheney Bothwell,	66 05		
Michael Gaffney,	64 27		
Peter White,	48 00		
D. R. Dean,	59 70		
N. Brooks,	7 00		
C. H. Parker,	8 30		
S. H. Bullard,	56 98		
H. P. Austin,	59 48	$966 26	

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East District,	$111 00		
West "	118 90		
Coldbrook District,	160 75		
Centre "	769 35		
South "	191 00		
school books and stationery,	78 19		
H. W. Lincoln for transporting scholars,	100 00	$1,529 19	

STATE AID.

Paid E. Mullet, guardian of Charlotte Mullet,	$48 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	$144 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Thompson, for ringing bell,	$35 00	
E. L. Sawyer, M. D., for certificates of births and deaths,	18 00	
for furnace and fixtures for Memorial building,	182 26	
Edward J. Sargeant for Memorial day	7 16	
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing,	44 00	
H. J. Lawrence " "	1 85	
James Tomlinson for grading common,	17 63	
one-fourth expenses of painting meeting-house,	41 42	
county tax,	288 00	
state tax,	315 00	
for repairs on school houses,	11 21	
" " " Memorial building,	2 00	
" interest,	1,140 28	
note to Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	3,500 00	
" " Stephen A. Boyden,	200 00	
for repairs on pump,	1 50	
James Packard, services as sexton,	34 75	
George Tyler, repairs for scraper,	20 00	$5,860 06

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer.	Dr.	
To balance in Treasury, March 1, 1885,	$2,346 01	
cash for grass on common,	4 25	
" " keeping state paupers,	3 00	
" " use of hall,	3 00	
" of North Brookfield Savings Bank,	638 22	
" " Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,147 33	
" " Mechanics' Savings Bank,	772 26	
" " First National Bank of Worcester,	610 10	
" " Stephen A. Boyden,	200 00	
" from corporation tax,	9 53	

To cash from National Bank tax,	11 89		
" " state aid reimbursed,	208 00		
" " dog fund,	104 70		
" " school fund,	307 35		
state tax,	315 00		
county tax,	288 00		
town grant,	5,195 00		
overlayings,	74 23		
interest on taxes,	33 82	$12,271	69

CR.

By paying Selectmen's orders,	$9,756	45
Balance in treasury,	$2,515	24

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	$14,000	00	$14,000 00

SINKING FUND.

On deposit at People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	1,000	00	
Dividends thereon,	193	32	$1,193 32

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES O. AYRES,
CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1886.

The past year four persons have received full and six partial support.

They further report that they have received of the town,	$792 59
In hands of Overseers, April 1, 1885,	2 40
Received of Mrs. R. H. Robinson, Oct. 1, 1885, cash,	1 75
Received of guardian of Benjamin Nurse, January 1, 1886,	58 58
Amount of receipts,	$855 32
Paid as follows:	
Received of the town for support of the poor, April 4, 1885,	$262 00
Money on hand,	2 40
	$264 40
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,	41 79
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance,	42 65
Alanson Prouty for groceries and supplies,	17 56
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	39 00
Susan M. Thresher for Charles Burt,	58 00
" " " Lyman P. Crawford,	33 50
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " " Lucy Robinson,	6 90
Samuel C. Cochran, 1 cord wood for Mrs. Woodis,	4 00
William Mandall, fitting 1 cord wood for stove,	1 50
	$264 40
Received of the town for support of the poor, July 1st, 1885,	$199 68
Paid as follows:	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	42 25

Paid Susan M. Thresher for care and board of Charles Burt,	$22 00
" " " " " " " of L. P. Crawford,	30 25
" " " " " " " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
Zebina Winslow for care and board of Rasselas Winslow,	32 50
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance,	7 40
Alanson Prouty for merchandise, &c.,	13 78
James Packard for coffin and robe for Charles Burt,	10 00
expense for L. P. Crawford,	4 50
Lewis N. Haskell, 2 cords wood for Mrs. Woodis,	6 50
Wm. Mandall, fitting 2 cords wood for stove,	3 00
Page Austin for 2 bushels potatoes for Mrs. Woodis,	1 00
Horace Wilbur for mending shoes,	50
	$199 68
Received of the town for the support of the poor, Oct. 1st, 1885,	$148 12
Received of Mrs. Ruth H. Robinson,	1 75
	$149 87
Paid as follows:	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody of Eunice M. Walker,	$43 71
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	32 50
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman P. Crawford.	35 75
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
" " " sewing, &c.,	2 80
Alanson Prouty for groceries and clothing,	6 61
Ruth H. Robinson for 5 tramps,	2 50
	$149 87
Received of the town for support of the poor, Jan. 1st, 1886,	$182 79
Received of guardian of Benjamin Nurse,	58 58
	$241 37
Paid as follows:	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	42 81

Paid same for board, custody and treatment of Benjamin Nurse,		$34 36
for clothing for Benjamin Nurse: 2 pair overalls, $1; 2 jumpers, $1,		2 00
for boots, $2.75; 2 shirts, $1,		3 75
for 3 pair wool socks, 90c.; collar, 20c.; bow, 25c,		1 35
for 2 undershirts, $1; 2 pairs drawers, $1,		2 00
for suspenders, 25; mittens, 35,		60
for rubber boots, $2.50; suit, $11.50,		14 00
cap, 50c.; postage, 2c.,		52
		$101 39
Paid Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,		39 00
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman P. Crawford,		35 75
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,		26 00
City of Boston for Daniel Rogers and family,		14 10
Alanson Prouty for merchandise,		5 13
Overseers for services,		20 00
		$241 37
Amount of receipts,	$855 32	
Paid,	855 32	

As is shown in printed report, and to whom paid.

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN,
JAMES C. SARGEANT, } Overseers of the Poor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM. 1885.

BIRTHS.

Feb.	19	Son to	Gardner M. Dean.
"	23	Daughter to	N. Wendell Packard.
March	10	Son to	Sanford H. Bullard.
April	8	Sons to (twins)	Peter Dusette.
"	27	Daughter to	Hiram F. Clark.
June	12	Daughter to	Wm. C. Crawford.
"	14	Son to	Nelson H. Muzzy.
"	23	Daughter to	George W. Reed.
"	24	Daughter to	James Sheern.
"	27	Son to	Evander L. Parker.
Aug.	30	Daughter to	Edward H. Dwelly.
Sept.	1	Daughter to	Marcus M. Butterfield.
"	25	Son to	Peter Pluff.
Oct.	29	Son to	Stephen M. Sergeant.
Nov.	11	Daughter to	Charles S. A. Woodbury.
Dec.	15	Son to	Wm. Wallace Grimes.
"	22	Son to	Louis Latoun.

TOTAL, 18.

MARRIAGES.

Feb.	26 Charles F. Howard	to	Olive M. Butler.
May	19 Sabin A. Morse	"	Lizzie J. Bullard.
July	15 Alvin H. Brown	"	Ida F. Boyden.
"	21 Harry Clark	"	Ada M. Clark.
Sept.	2 John W. Baldwin	"	Ruth A. Pronty.
"	16 S. James Foster	"	Mrs. Sarah M. Rawson.
"	18 Edgar O. Crawford	"	Rosa W. Parker.
"	30 Daniel J. Nahaney	"	Bridget Igo.
Oct.	28 John P. Day	"	Mary E. Ravens.
Nov.	18 Frank R. Weld	"	Edith May Parker.

TOTAL, 10.

DEATHS.

		YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	11 Mary Davitt,	27	10	13
"	12 Mary Jane Forbush,	50	5	16
"	" Davidson Barr,	73		4
"	21 Thomas Dwelly,	62		
"	26 Olive Ripley,	64		
Feb.	1 Joseph Blake,	64	8	16
"	5 Louisa Williams,	66	9	14
"	15 Almira M. Green,	50	11	5
"	22 Lorenzo D. Barnes,	67		5
March	2 Elijah Dean,	83	6	8
April	9 Charles Burt,	75	5	17
"	28 Herbert B. Reed,	27		
June	4 Caroline M. Boyden,	70	7	10
"	8 Samuel Field,	80		21
"	" Nancy B. Fobes,	68	11	
"	13 David Lovell,	76	2	19
July	31 Melinda Woodis,	90	4	28
Aug.	12 Fabian Tomlinson,	92	7	24
"	17 Emmerson A. Dean,		5	29
Sept.	18 John Robinson,	65	9	14
Nov.	24 Ralph E. Stone,	1	3	28
Dec.	25 Roxana Adams,	80	7	1

TOTAL, 22.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1st, 1886:

DR.

To amount appropriated by the town,	$950 00
Received from state school fund,	307 35
dog tax fund,	104 70
	$1,362 05

CR.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Elsie L. Sargeant, teaching 9 weeks,	$45 00
Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	55 00
Miss Orzina Lovell, teaching 11 weeks, winter term,	66 00
fuel and care of house,	11 50
	$177 50

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Lillian E. Robinson, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks.	$100 00
Eugene A. Lincoln, teaching winter term, 11 weeks.	77 00
fuel and care of house.	13 25
	$190 25

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss M. A. Griffon, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$227 50
fuel and care of house,	16 25
	$243 75

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss J. Etta Bullard, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks,	$100 00
Mr. Thomas Street, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	88 00
fuel and care of house,	20 50
	$208 50

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$225 00
Miss Alice W. Ayres, teaching spring term, 9 weeks,	81 00
Edgar H. Parkman, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	90 00
Walter M. Morgan, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	99 00
fuel and care of house,	63 10
	$558 10
Total expense of schools for the year,	$1,378 10

There have been three terms in all the schools in town of 9, 10 and 11 weeks, respectively.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			7	Average attendance,			5
Fall	"	"	"	4	"	"		4
Winter	"	"	"	7	"	"		6

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			18	Average attendance,			16
Fall	"	"	"	23	"	"		20
Winter	"	"	"	19	"	"		16

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			30	Average attendance,			27
Fall	"	"	"	36	"	"		34
Winter	"	"	"	35	"	"		31

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			16	Average attendance,			10
Fall	"	"	"	15	"	"		10
Winter	"	"	"	18	"	"		8

CENTRE—No. 1.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			29	Average attendance,			25
Fall	"	"	"	23	"	"		18
Winter	"	"	"	28	"	"		26

CENTRE—No. 2.

Spring term,	whole number scholars,			31	Average attendance,			29
Fall	"	"	"	30	"	"		28
Winter	"	"	"	27	"	"		24

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term,	whole number,			131	Average attendance,			110
Fall	"	"		131	"	"		112
Winter	"	"		134	"	"		112

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—M. Adelle Parker. TWO TERMS—M. Josie Butterfield, C. Edgar Brooks, Gilbert T. Butterfield, Alonzo M. Butterfield, Robert T. Brooks. ONE TERM—Fannie E. Kimball, Mary L. Butterfield, Sophronia Kimball, Harry B. Parker, Virgil Parker, Henry W. Butterfield, H. Morton Brooks, Denny Needham.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—George A. Briggs, Carrie L. Winter. TWO TERMS—Frank R. Russell, Fayette D. Russell, Edith L. Loring. ONE TERM—Lillian E. Robinson, Eldora E. Sergeant, Ella L. Sheern, John F. Sheern, Lilla B. Spooner, Minnie G. Spear, Minnie G. Dean, Lizzie M. Briggs, Arthur K. Reed, Blanche E. Packard.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

ONE TERM—Minnie Kennon, Emma Martin, Albena Martin, Georgianna Martin, Gertie Parker, Walter Woodis, Lizzie Parker.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

ONE TERM—Nellie Snay, Dolorese Snay, Rosa Snay, Freddie Snay.

WEST SCHOOL.

ONE TERM—L. Mabel Austin, Maggie Curry, Lester Knight, Justin Rawson.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE W. LINCOLN.
JESSE ALLEN.
ELIHU L. SAWYER.
} School Committee.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1886.

TOWN CLERK.—JESSE ALLEN.

SELECTMEN.

CLARENCE H. PARKER, DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL.

ASSESSORS.

DAVID R. DEAN, LEWIS N. HASKELL,
SANFORD H. BULLARD.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PAGE AUSTIN, JAMES C. SARGENT, A. J. HOLDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

JESSE ALLEN, LEONARD LOVELL, HENRY P. AUSTIN.

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.—LEONARD P. LOVELL.

CONSTABLES.

CARLOS P. HILL, CLARENCE H. PARKER.

AUDITOR.—WALTER M. ROBINSON.

OAKHAM TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Oakham, in the County of Worcester, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Oakham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, known as Memorial Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March, next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations of the same.

Art. 5. To see if the town will borrow money to meet any liabilities of the town, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors, nominated by the Selectmen.

Art. 7. To determine the manner of collecting Taxes the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To determine the manner of repairing highways the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see if the town will employ some person to take care of the town hall and ring the church bell, the ensuing year, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Art. 10. To bring in their ballot "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question: "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?"

Art. 11. To see what compensation the town will allow for men and team in repairing highways and opening roads the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the town will abate any taxes that may be presented for abatement.

Art. 13. To determine the manner of supporting paupers the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the town will provide for lighting the street lamps in the Center Village and in Coldbrook Village the ensuing year, or take any vote relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the town will erect and maintain any watering places, or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 16. To see if the town will grant to the Oakham Farmers and Mechanics' Club the use of the town common and town halls for their Exhibition in September, next.

Art. 17. To see if the town will paint Memorial hall building, or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 18. To see what action the town will take in regard to disposing of their stock in the Central Massachusetts Railroad, or pass any vote relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post Offices and one at the Congregational Meeting House in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of the warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

A true copy attest:
CARLOS P. HILL, Constable.

Report of the Selectmen.

To the Citizens of Oakham: Your Selectmen submit the following as their Report for the year ending March 1st, 1887:

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$17 55	
" " express and postage,	3 81	$21 36

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	$40 00	$40 00

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	$10 00	
" " postage, express and stationery,	6 87	$16 87

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$68 38	$68 38

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	$45 00	$45 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$107 90	$107 90

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$1,202 94	$1,202 94

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid E. S. Parker,	$6 83	
G. W. Stone,	3 44	
Elbridge Mullett,	4 49	
William O. Keep,	9 90	
Michael Gaffany,	5 55	
Peter White,	5 95	
Lewis N. Haskell.	3 00	
H. D. Bullard,	98	
W. H. Nye,	4 85	$44 99

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid William O. Keep,	$56 00	
Elbridge Mullett,	54 65	
Cheney Bothwell,	54 60	
E. F. Parmenter	55 05	
James Tomlinson,	49 12	
William A. Nye,	54 05	
H. D. Bullard,	41 18	
Sylvester Haskell,	52 00	
D. M. Parker,	54 61	
J. E. Stone,	55 17	
S. H. Bullard,	56 35	
Michael Gaffany,	53 80	
S. J. Foster,	51 85	
Mason S. Dean,	49 35	
John Gaffany,	6 00	
Peter White,	41 25	$785 03

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Center District,	$468 10	
Coldbrook District,	350 50	
West District,	277 55	
South "	186 95	
East "	68 20	
school books and stationery,	291 26	
H. W. Lincoln, transporting scholars,	27 00	
E. S. Parker. " "	11 00	$1,681 06

STATE AID.

Paid E. Mullet, guardian of Charlotte Mullet,	$48 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	$144 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid abatement of taxes,	$10 58
lamps for hall,	5 50
repairs on school houses,	1 25
Wm. M. Thompson ringing bell,	36 00
G. M. Dean Memorial day,	26 09
Maynard, Gough & Co. printing,	19 25
Geo. Tyler repairs on scraper,	18 75
J. L. Cochran " "	3 50
Daniel M. Parker lumber for cemetery fence,	18 64

Paid James Packard labor and material for fence,	12	84	
David R. Dean erecting watering trough,	26	07	
A. J. Holden lighting street lamps.	23	04	
note Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	3,500	00	
county tax,	261	00	
state tax,	285	00	
E. L. Sawyer certificates of deaths,	6	75	
discount on taxes,	194	91	
J. Butterfield care street lamps,	18	00	
C. H. Parker oil for " "	7	00	
James Packard services as sexton,	24	50	
A. J. Holden care Memorial Hall,	10	00	
A. J. Holden, repairs on Memorial Hall,	4	25	
interest on note to Commonwealth,	910	00	$5,416 83

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer, Dr.

To balance in Treasury, March 1, 1887,	$2,515	24	
cash for wood,	1	50	
" use of Memorial Hall,	15	00	
cash received of H. P. Austin, guardian of Benjamin Nurse,	49	87	
cash from sale of school books, 1886,	4	60	
" " People's Savings Bank,	1,216	95	
" " burial of state paupers,	10	00	
" borrowed of Commonwealth,	1,500	00	
" from corporation tax,	15	51	
" " national bank tax,	9	80	
" " state aid,	144	00	
" " dog fund,	107	46	
" " school fund,	308	26	
" " sale of school books, 1887,	4	49	
" " " grass on common,	6	00	
state tax,	285	00	
county tax,	261	00	
town grant,	5,020	00	
overlayings,	56	87	
interest on taxes,	40	69	$11,572 24

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By Selectmen's Orders,	$9,574 36
Balance in treasury,	$1,997 88

Uncollected taxes, for 1885,	$108 74		
" " 1886,	1429 15		
Cash on hand,	459 99	$1,997 88	

Indebtedness of the Town to the Commonwealth, $12,000 00

Respectfully Submitted,

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, and Treasurer, for the year ending March 1st, 1887, and find them correct.

WALTER M. ROBINSON, Auditor.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1st, 1887.

The board of the Overseers of the Poor herewith respectfully presents its annual report for the year ending January 1st, 1887.

The system of aiding the poor has been continued as formerly. At the present time we have six persons receiving full support and six partial or temporary relief. The mental and physical condition of our poor is, we think, without a parallel. Two are insane, one is idiotic, one is suffering from old age, and two are crippled, one being entirely helpless and kindly cared for; for his care and board we are paying four dollars per week.

Received of town for support of the poor Apr. 1, 1886,	$264 45
Received of L. P. Lovell,	10 00
Received of H. P. Austin, guardian of B. Nurse,	10 13
	$284 58
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	$41 79
rubbers, 40; thread, 10,	50
same for board, custody and treatment of Benjamin Nurse,	41 79
slippers, 85; collars, 20; overcoat, 10.00,	11 05
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman P. Crawford,	35 75
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
medicine,	1 10
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	39 00
James C. Sargeant, self and team to Spencer,	2 25
" " keeping two tramps,	1 50
Page Austin, keeping two tramps, journey to Spencer,	2 50
Overseers, postage, and stationery from Jan. 1, 1885 to Apr. 1, 1886,	1 50
Dr. E. L. Sawyer, medical attendance,	19 00
for the family of Daniel Rogers, Boston,	19 10
for clothing for the poor,	10 00
for Mrs. John Bartlett and child, Spencer,	21 75
James Packard, coffin for H. Drury, tramp,	10 00
	$284 58
Received of the town for support of poor, July 1, 1886,	$225 56
Paid as follows:	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	42 25

Paid same for board, treatment and custody of Benjamin Nurse,	42 25
collars, 20; 2 bosom shirts, 1.50; 3 pair socks, 60; neck bow, 25,	2 35
Alanson Prouty for clothing, etc.,	5 93
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medicine,	1 75
James Packard for burying Horace Drury,	3 00
C. H. Parker for aid given Mrs. Hannah E. Mundell and child,	11 58
Susan M. Thresher for care and board of Lyman P. Crawford,	39 00
Susan M. Thresher for Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
sewing and medicine,	5 75
Zebina Winslow for care and board of Rasselas Winslow, etc.,	39 50
Zebina Winslow for Lyman P. Crawford,	6 00
	$225 56

Received of the town for support of the poor from July 1 to Oct. 1, 1886,	$291 95
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker	42 71
same for board, custody and treatment of Benjamin Nurse,	42 71
thin shirt, 1.00; collars, 20; postage, 8,	1 28
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance on Ambrose P. Hall,	22 00
Fred Hall for care of Ambrose P. Hall, seven days while sick,	7 00
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance on Rasselas Winslow,	12 25
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	39 00
Dr. Spencer for medical attendance on Mrs. Hannah E. Mundell,	32 00
City of Boston for Daniel Rogers,	8 50
Susan M. Thresher for care and board of Lyman P. Crawford,	34 50
Susan M. Thresher for care of Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
" " " Moses Bartlett,	16 00
Overseers, journey to Petersham,	2 00
" " Hubbardston,	2 00
" " Rutland,	1 00
" " Spencer,	1 00
for Record Book,	2 00
	$291 95

Received of Town for support of poor, Jan. 1, 1887,	$400 98
" " " " Feb. 5, 1887,	20 00
	$420 98

Paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital, for Eunice M. Walker, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31,	$42 71
2 undervests 90, 2 pair hose 75, 2 flannel skirts 1.80	3 45
6 handkerchiefs 60, 5 yards cotton 35, slippers 1.00	1 95
boots,	2 00
same, for board, custody and treatment of Benjamin Nurse, 13 1-7 weeks,	42 71
collar 20, suit 12.50, postage 06,	12 76
hat 1.25, necktie 25, shoes 2.10, suspenders 25,	3 85
Alanson Prouty, sundry supplies,	12 42
Dr. E. L. Sawyer, professional services for poor,	25 50
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman Crawford,	39 00
" " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
" " Moses Bartlett,	25 72
" " sewing, medicine, etc.,	3 41
Zebina Winslow, for Rasselas Winslow,	52 50
William Mundall, for Almira Woodis,	26 00
A. J. Holden, 2 1-2 mos. rent for Almira Woodis,	2 50
Town of Spencer, care, board, and burial expenses of William P. Tucker,	68 00
" " aid given Mrs. John Bartlett,	1 25
Overseers for ordinary services,	20 00
" for keeping 9 tramps,	6 75
for pants for R. Winslow,	2 50
	$420 98
Received of the Town,	1,202 94
" L. P. Lovell,	10 00
" H. P. Austin, guardian of B. Nurse,	10 00
Total amount of receipts,	$1,222 94

Due the Town for aid given Mrs. Hannah Mandell and child, $43 58

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN, }
A. J. HOLDEN, } Overseers of the Poor.

Births, Marriages and Deaths in Oakham in 1886.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	12	Daughter to	George E. Thresher.
March	8	Son to	Albert H. Matthews.
"	13	Daughter to	Napoleon Pluff.
"	17	Son to	Arthur L. Loring.
April	1	Daughter to	Horace M. Green.
May	4	Son to	Charles B. Caldwell.
"	13	Son to	John Saunders.
"	15	Son to	George N. Briggs.
June	20	Daughter to	Horace W. Lincoln.
July	13	Son to	R. J. Brooks.
Sept.	1	Daughter to	Frank R. Weld.
"	11	Daughter to	James W. Bemis.
Nov.	9	Son to	John Haire.
Dec.	23	Daughter to	Sanford H. Bullard.

TOTAL, 14.

MARRIAGES.

March	10	Frank E. Burt	to	Lily M. Robinson.
April	21	Mason S. Dean	"	Julia M. Marsh.
Sept.	1	Samuel C. Cochran	"	Mattie I. Dean.
Oct.	6	Patrick H. Twohy	"	Mary E. Sheern.

TOTAL, 4.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	6	Albert H. Holman,	15	4	25
"	15	Alvira Campbell,	55	9	2
March	6	James C. Sargeant,	48	10	16
"	14	Horace Drury,	65		
"	26	John L. Smith,	54	4	2
May	24	Susanna Sargeant,	77		5
"	24	Roena Crawford,	89	3	23
June	10	Nelson Haskell,	88	2	22
Aug.	17	Mary Tobin,	67		
"	22	William L. Robinson,	51	8	22
Oct.	13	Julia A. Clark,	42	6	26
"	25	Stephen Lincoln,	93	10	26
Nov.	1	Martha J. Gibson,	47	10	6
"	7	Sarah M. Howe,	98	11	29
Dec.	1	Elijah C. Dean,	56	11	
"	17	James P. Gaffney,	20		

TOTAL, 16.

BURIED IN TOWN.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
	1885				
Dec.	9	Eleanor Williams,	62		
	1886				
March	2	Sarah E. Wilder,	29	1	2
May	19	Maria A. Thompson,	59	7	22
"	23	Ezra Maynard,	82	6	
July	16	Arthur S. Wilder,	1	6	10
Oct.	10	A. E. Rumrill,	59		
"	28	Carrie M. Loring,	50	4	13
Nov.	2	Wm. P. Tucker,	52		
Dec.	25	Sabin A. Morse,	36		

TOTAL, 9.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

In conforming with the laws of the Commonwealth, your Committee submit the following report:

The town raised and appropriated for the support of schools the past year the sum of $850.00. We also received from the State School Fund $308.26. Also from dog tax fund $107.46. Making a total for support of schools of $1265.72.

The expenses of the several schools are as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid W. L. Goodspeed, spring term, 10 weeks,	$50 00
Etta Bullard, fall term, 9 weeks,	49 50
W. L. Goodspeed, winter term, 11 weeks,	71 50
fuel and care of house,	13 70
	$184 70

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid M. A. Griffon, spring term, 9 weeks,	$72 00
fall term, 10 weeks,	80 00
winter term, 11 weeks,	88 00
fuel and care of house,	18 00
	$258 00

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid J. H. Orzina Lovell, spring term, 12 weeks,	$66 00
fall term, 8 weeks,	48 00
winter term, 8 weeks,	52 00
fuel and care of house,	18 50
	$184 50

CENTER SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, fall term, 10 weeks,	$60 00
winter term, 11 wks	71 50
	$131 50

CENTER SCHOOL—Grammar.

Amount paid Florence I. Sargeant, spring term, 9 weeks,		$81 00
fall term, 10 weeks,		80 00
winter term, 11 weeks		88 00
care of house,		15 55
fuel,		57 50
		$453 55
Total expenses of teachers, care of houses and fuel,		$1,080 75

Repairs on school houses.

South—Paid Dwight Bullard,	.25
Center—Paid on black boards,	2 90

The East Hill school has been discontinued for the year, and we have paid, as by vote of the town, $11.00 to E. S. Parker for transportation of children.

Report on school text-books is as follows:

Total cash value of school books and school supplies belonging to the town April 1, 1886, was $236.75, beside the books and supplies in the different school houses.

Bought during the year.

Boston School Supply,	$6 60
Cowperthwait & Co.,	34 85
Chas. H. Whiting,	21 72
F. S. Conant,	2 69
C. H. Parker,	1 00
	$66 86

Of the above expense $30.50 was caused by exchange of geographies, and we have 16 new books on hand worth, at 80 cents apiece, (cost) $12.50. That taken from $30.50 leaves $17.70 as the actual cost of changing our supply of old geographies in all our schools for new.

School supplies on hand Feb. 1, 1887, amounted to $203.33, $33.42 less than last year to commence the new year with. This added to $66.86 gives $100.28, as the actual cost of school supplies for the past year.

We do not know of any needed change in our school books, unless it be of grammars. We are all out of Raub's grammars, and the book is not entirely satisfactory. The expense of exchange in the end will not be much greater than to supply Raub's grammar, at prices now asked for them.

We have employed Mr. F. S. Conant to take charge of the school supplies during the past year, at an expense of $11.63.

Total expense of teachers, fuel, school supplies, etc., $1,188.16.

Due School Committee for services the past year.

Jesse Allen,	$35 50
H. P. Austin,	10 00
L. P. Lovell,	27 00

We believe the usefulness of School Committee will be greatly enhanced if their work is divided, and each Committee have sole charge of one or more schools. We have adopted that method the past year, in part, and wish to try it more fully the coming year. We think the schools have generally been very successful, and much good work has been done by both teachers and scholars. We would especially commend what has been done by the teachers and scholars of our schools, in procuring, by their own efforts, many articles for the school room, which will be both useful and ornamental.

During the spring term the Center schools were united, with an average attendance of only 34. It may not always be practicable, but when it can be done without injury to the schools, quite a saving may be made.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	20	Average attendance,	15
Fall " " " "	22	" "	16
Winter " " " "	15	" "	12

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	29	Average attendance,	26
Fall " " " "	35	" "	29
Winter " " " "	32	" "	29

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	18	Average attendance,	15
Fall and Winter terms, whole number of scholars,	22	" "	14

CENTER—No. 1.

Spring term, schools united, whole number of scholars,	44	Average attendance,	34
Fall term, whole number of scholars,	31	" "	28
Winter " " " "	27	" "	22

CENTER—No. 2.

Fall term, whole number of scholars,	22	Average attendance,	20
Winter " " " "	26	" "	20

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number,	111	Average attendance,	90
Fall " " "	135	" "	115
Winter " " "	122	" "	97

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—M. Adelle Parker, Alonzo M. Butterfield, Virgil Parker, Henry W. Butterfield, Gilbert T. Butterfield, Ruth E. Butterfield. TWO TERMS—Ida F. Needham, C. Edgar Brooks, Bertha I. Luce. ONE TERM—Blanche M. Caldwell, H. Morton Brooks, C. Frank Caldwell, Ethel Barr, Mary Butterfield, Fred Rice, Edward L. Needham, Herbert Needham.

CENTER SCHOOLS.

THREE TERMS—Bertha C. Lovell. TWO TERMS—Lena Adams, Eldora E. Sargeant, Lizzie M. Briggs, Herbert E. Sargeant, Geo. A. Briggs. ONE TERM—Walter Parker, Arthur N. Reed, Jessie A. Davis, Blanche Packard, Minnie L. Spear, Bessie S. Wild, Irven Mullet, Jennie Leonard, Daniel E. Holden, Fannie Robinson, Ruth D. Briggs, Winthrop W. Boyd.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—Florence Bothwell, Alcide Latoune. ONE TERM—Josie Holman, Mamie Kennon, Jesse A. Robinson.

WEST SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Maggie Curry, Mabel L. Austin, Justin E. Rawson, Leon Adams, Lester W. Knight. TWO TERMS—Edith C. Adams, Clifford Knight.

JESSE ALLEN,
L. P. LOVELL,
H. P. AUSTIN,
} School Committee.

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Town Officers for 1887.

Town Clerk—Jesse Allen.

Selectmen—C. H. Parker, D. R. Dean, L. N. Haskell.

Assessors—D. R. Dean, S. H. Bullard, H. W. Lincoln.

Overseers of Poor—Jesse Allen, H. P. Austin, W. M. Robinson.

Collector—F. S. Conant.

Treasurer—S. M. Sargeant.

Constables—C. H. Parker, C. B. Caldwell, C. P. Hill.

Auditor—N. W. Packard.

Fence Viewers—Jesse Allen, Wm. S. Spear, A. C. Bullard.

Field Driver—Jason A. Allen.

Pound Keeper—George N. Briggs.

Measurers of Lumber—D. R. Dean, W. P. Adams, D. M. Parker.

Measurers of Wood and Bark—D. M. Parker, Jesse Allen, John N. Morse, W. P. Adams.

School Committee. Three Years—Henry P. Austin.

Highway Surveyors—H. P. Austin, L. N. Haskell.

Report of the Selectmen.

In accordance with custom we beg leave to submit the following report of our doings for the year ending March 1st, 1888:

TOWN CLERK.

Paid town clerk for services,	$18 55	
Express and postage,	5 12	$23 67

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	$50 00	
" " stationery and postage,	5 02	$55 02

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$67 80	$67 80

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	$65 00	
" " postage,	32	$65 32

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$72 50	$72 50

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$1245 39	$1245 39

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Thompson, ringing bell,	$36	00	
A. Prouty, bell rope and lamp shades,	5	62	
L. P. Lovell, discount on taxes,	2	65	
Mutual Fire Insurance Co.,	6	30	
George E. Allen, for Road Machine,	258	00	
B. & A. R. R., freight on Road Machine,	5	10	
H. J. Lawrence, printing,	20	75	
Abatement of taxes,	15	50	
James Packard, painting Memorial Hall,	23	50	
J. W. Ayres, " " "	23	80	
M. O. Ayres, white lead for Memorial Hall,	22	24	
N. W. Packard, oil and glass for "	14	72	
W. S. Crawford, making and erecting guide boards,	40	00	
D. M. Parker, lumber for guide boards,	10	34	
W. S. Crawford, making and painting blackboards,	22	00	
W. S. Crawford, repairing wheel to town bell,	1	50	
L. P. DeLand, to cost in Fuller case,	48	00	
County tax,	254	00	
George H. Temple, Memorial Day,	7	87	
L. N. Haskell, grading around Memorial Hall building,	4	00	
State Tax,	427	50	
F. S. Conant, discount on taxes,	222	90	
E. L. Sawyer, certificates of births,	6	50	
L. P. Lovell, express and postage,	1	10	
Rice, King & Rice, counsel and services,	25	00	
A. J. Holden, lighting street lamps,	24	46	
Coldbrook Improvement Society, lighting street lamps,	52	00	
A. J. Holden, care Memorial Hall,	10	00	
A. J. Holden, repairs on Memorial Hall,	9	75	
Expense of selling Central Mass. R. R. stock,	15	00	
Loring Bros., repairs on scraper,	3	00	
Interest on note to Commonwealth,	628	75	
Principal on note to Commonwealth,	7000	00	$9220 85

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Center District,	$499	42	
Coldbrook District,	230	32	
West "	195	64	
South "	216	90	
School books and stationery,	45	60	$1187 88

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid H. P. Austin,	$400	00	
L. N. Haskell,	299	34	$699 34

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Michael Gaffney,	$18 40	
John E. Stone,	9 53	
James Tomlinson,	6 70	
Elbridge Mullett,	16 17	
E. F. Parmenter,	6 16	
William O. Keep,	19 29	
H. D. Bullard,	7 61	
Peter White,	23 92	
H. W. Lincoln,	12 07	
Sylvester Haskell,	23 10	
S. J. Foster,	33 46	
M. S. Dean,	11 33	
S. H. Bullard,	8 59	
W. H. Nye,	22 30	$218 63

STATE AID.

Paid E. Mullett, guardian for Charlotte Mullett,	$48 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	
George E. Reed,	6 00	$150 00

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

S. M. Sargeant, Treasurer.

DR.

To balance in Treasury Nov. 1, 1887,	$1997 88	
cash from L. P. Lovell,	2 00	
" sale 75 shares C. M. R. R. stock at 27⅛,	2034 38	
" sale 100 shares C. M. R. R. at 31¼,	3125 00	
" Benj. P. Clark, ¾ of liquor license,	168 75	
" use of Memorial Hall,	19 20	
" M. O. Ayres, insurance,	9 67	
" from sale of grass on common,	3 25	
" Corporation tax,	14 00	
" National Bank tax,	9 93	
" State aid,	144 00	
" dog fund,	140 24	
" borrowed of Spencer Savings bank,	1000 00	
" interest on money received from sale of C. M. R. R. stock,	39 85	
" sale school books 1887,	2 37	
" State tax,	427 50	
Carried up,		$9,138 02

	Brought up,		$9,138 02
To cash from	County tax,	$254 00	
"	town tax,	5020 00	
"	overlayings,	114 85	
"	support of state paupers,	36 00	
"	school fund,	307 31	$5,732 16
			$14,870 18

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	$13,006 40	
uncollected taxes due from L. P. Lovell,	170 88	
uncollected taxes due from F. S. Conant,	1291 35	
" cash,	401 55	$14,870 18

Indebtedness of the Town to the Commonwealth,	$5000 00
" " " " Spencer Savings Bank,	1000 00
	$6000 00

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

DR.

To State tax,	$ 427 50	
County tax,	254 00	
Town tax,	5020 00	
Overlaying,	114 85	$5,816 85

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By treasurer's receipts,	$4,525 00
Uncollected taxes,	1,291 85
	$5,816 85

F. S. Conant, Collector.

Respectfully Submitted,

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1888.

Received of the town for support of the Poor,	$1245 39	$1245 39
Which we account for as follows:		
Paid State Lunatic Hospital, for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	169 75	169 75
Same for Benjamin Nurss,	187 85	187 85
Susan M. Thresher, for Lyman Crawford,	156 00	
" clothing for same.	11 20	167 20
Susan M. Thresher, for Lydia Chamberlain,	104 00	104 00
Susan M. Thresher, for Moses Bartlett,	35 00	
H. P. Austin, for Moses Bartlett,	34 50	
" clothing for same,	8 74	78 24
Zebina L. Winslow, for Rasselas Winslow,	208 00	
" clothing for same,	3 10	211 10
William Mandell, for Almira Woodis,	104 00	104 00
C. H. Parker, for Mrs. Hannah E. Mundell and child,	55 59	
H. D. Bullard, milk for same,	6 75	
D. M. Parker, wood for same,	8 75	
Dr. G. F. A. Spencer, medical attendance on same,	11 50	82 59
Town of Spencer, for John Bartlett and family,	12 00	12 00
For keeping twenty-one tramps,	15 75	15 75
John Gaffney, for board and care of Patrick Donnovan, (State Pauper)	12 00	12 00
Dr. E. L. Sawyer, medical attendance,	35 50	35 50
Page Austin, postage, stationery and services,	9 09	9 09
N. W. Packard, for sundries,	14 72	14 72
Overseers for ordinary services,	30 00	30 00
Overseers, travelling expenses, stationery and postage,	11 60	11 60
	$1,245 39	$1,245 39
Due from the Commonwealth for care and medical attendance of Patrick Donnovan (State Pauper),	$ 36 00	$ 36 00
Due the town for aid given Mrs. Hannah E. Mundell and child,	126 17	126 17

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
H. P. AUSTIN,
W. M. ROBINSON,
} Overseers of the Poor.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Treasurer for the year ending March 1st, 1888, and find them correct. N. W. PACKARD, Auditor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM,

IN 1887.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	6.	Son to Stephen Barr.
Mar.	8.	Daughter to George E. Thresher.
"	20.	Son to John E. Stone.
"	23.	Son to Abram Mann.
"	31.	Daughter to Wm. Wallace Grimes.
June	3.	Daughter to Louis Gouley.
June	12.	Daughter to Elihu L. Sawyer, M. D.
July	3.	Son to W. Prescott Adams.
"	20.	Daughter to Patrick Tuohy.
"	24.	Son to Frank Burt.
Aug.	12.	Daughter to Edwin A. Stone.
Sept.	5.	Daughter to Charles McClennathan.
Nov.	7.	Son to Hubert Dwelly.
"	8.	Daughter to D. Mildmay Parker.
"	10.	Son to N. Wendell Packard.
Dec.	1.	Daughter to John Haire.

Total, 16.

MARRIAGES.

Mar.	10.	Herbert E. Bush to Carrie V. Prouty.
Aug.	16.	Charles N. Monroe to Katie Cody.
"	26.	Patrick Tobin to Mrs. Nellie Powers.
Nov.	1.	Wm. Mirick Presho to Jennie E. Davis.
"	24.	Walter R. Dean to Nellie L. Tracy.

Total, 5.

DEATHS.

1887.			YRS.	MOS.	DAYS.
Feb.	3.	Frank K. Packard,	25	8	29
Mar.	11.	Mrs. Susan H. Warner,	66	8	5
Mar.	15.	Dwight Bullard,	63	1	9
Mar.	24.	Cheney Rockwood Bothwell,	5	2	8
Apr.	26.	Mrs. Melissa Crawford,	90	9	12
Apr.	13.	Joseph Mann,	0	0	21
Apr.	16.	Paul Caldwell,	0	11	15
May	21.	Almer E. Haire,	0	6	12
June	13.	Daniel Towne,	80	8	15
Aug.	8.	Mrs. Ellen Sheen,	74		
Aug.	30.	Henry E. Mandell,	57	8	3

Total, 11.

BURIED IN TOWN.

Mar.	30.	David S. Ross,	37	4	25
Apr.	1.	John Stoddard,	50	1	
June	1.	Susan S. Dean,	33	2	18

Total, 3.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

Treasurer's Bond.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents, that we, Stephen M. Sargeant of Oakham, County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, as principal, and Henry P. Austin and Jesse Allen both of said Oakham, as sureties, are holden and staud firmly bound unto the inhabitants of said Oakham in the sum of five thousand dollars, to the payment of which to the said inhabitants, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators. The condition of the obligation is such that, whereas the said Stephen M. Sargeant has been duly elected Treasurer of the above-named town of Oakham, and has accepted said office, now therefore, if the said Stephen M. Sargeant shall faithfully perform and discharge all the duties of said office during the term for which he has been elected, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals this second day of April, A. D. 1887.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

F. S. Conant.
G. F. Conant.

STEPHEN M. SARGEANT.
HENRY P. AUSTIN.
JESSE ALLEN.

Collector's Bond.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents, that we, F. S. Conant of Oakham, County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, as principal, and Sanford Bullard and G. F. Conant both of said Oakham, as surities, are holden and stand firmly bound unto the inhabitants of said Oakham in the sum of three thousand dollars, to the payment of which to the said inhabitants we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators. The condition of the obligation is such that, whereas the said F. S. Conant has been duly elected Collector of the above-named town and has accepted said office, now therefore, if the said F. S. Conant shall faithfully perform and discharge all the duties of said office during the term for which he has been elected, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals this twentieth day of August, A. D. 1887.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

D. R. Dean.
Horace W. Lincoln.

F. S. CONANT.
SANFORD H. BULLARD.
G. F. CONANT.

School Report.

The School Committee of the Town of Oakham submit to its citizens the following report of schools for the year ending April 1st, 1888:

DR.

Amount appropriated for support of schools by the town,	$850 00
Received from state school fund,	307 31
Dog tax returned to the town for support of schools,	140 24
Total for the support of schools,	$1,297 55

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The expenses of the several schools were as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid W. L. Goodspeed, spring term,	$60 00
" " fall term,	60 00
J. O. H. Lovell, winter term,	65 00
Fuel and care of house,	27 75
	$212 75

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Lilla Vinton,	$16 00
Ina M. Thompson, spring term,	62 40
" " fall term,	80 00
" " winter term,	51 20
Fuel and care of house,	18 10
	$227 70

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid J. H. Orzina Lovell, spring term,	$66 00
" " fall term,	44 40
H. M. Hunt, winter term,	78 00
Fuel and care of house,	4 00
	$192. 40

CENTER SCHOOL, PRIMARY.

Amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, spring term,	$60 00
" " spring term,	60 00
" " winter term,	65 00
	$185 00

CENTER SCHOOL, GRAMMAR.

Amount paid Florence I. Sargeant, spring term,	$70 00
Julia L. Wilson, fall term,	80 00
H. E. Richardson, winter term,	100 00
Fuel and care of house,	64 42
Amount for Center Schools,	$499 42
Total expenses of teachers, care of houses, and fuel	$1132 27

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

South, paid Deacon Packard,	$ 1 25
West, paid Fred Reed,	1 44
Coldbrook, paid Rogene Parker	2 62
Center, paid W. S. Crawford, for blackboards,	22 00
" Fred Reed glass and work,	40

TEXT BOOKS FOR USE OF SCHOOLS.

Cash value of school books and school supplies belonging to the town, April 1, 1887, was $203.33 besides the books and supplies in use.

Bought during the year, F. S. Conant,	$ 3 62
Charles H. Whiting,	14 57
A. C. Stockin,	14 58
Adams & Ingraham,	3 46
Solon Bryant,	58
	$33 81

School supplies on hand Feb. 1, 1888, amounted to $152.49, $50.84 less than last year, this added to $33.81 gives $84.65, cost of school supplies for the past year. We have employed Mr. F. S. Conant to take charge of the school supplies during the past year at an expense of $8.85.

Total expenses of schools during the past year,	$1244 63

Due School Committee for services the past year—

Jesse Allen,	$40 50
H. P. Austin,	10 00
L. P. Lovell,	30 00

We might report of the success attending each teacher and find much to commend, but we fail to see the good to be accomplished by so doing. Success has been very marked in all and we believe satisfaction very general. But little has been expended during the past year in repairs and the same may be said for several years. There are some repairs, necessary to be made. The plastering is off from Coldbrook house quite badly, and it is considerable trouble and expense to replace it. We think it would be better, if the room could be sheathed overhead, the desks in the Center should be varnished; it preserves them so much. We recommend that $50.00 be appropriated for this purpose, and the same be raised for schools as last year,—$850. While we are making ample provision for our schools, we would call attention to the great number of days of absence from school as shown by our School Registers. Two thousand five hundred and seventy-eight absent marks have been recorded by our teachers for the year 1887. Doubtless in many instances this absence has been unavoidable. But we can but believe that with a little more exertion, especially on the part of parents, this serious evil could for the most part, be done away with. A scholar who is often absent from school, or tardy in his attendance, soon loses his interest in his studies, and, as a result, his own progress therein is greatly hindered, and the whole school is, in many ways, injured thereby. We have many scholars in our schools who have been for many terms, without an absent or tardy mark registered against their names. Such boys and girls always become our best scholars, and the formation of such habits will contribute very much to their success in after life.

During the winter, Scarlet Fever has prevailed in Coldbrook Village, in a mild form. The school was much broken up thereby, and at the end of about six weeks it was thought best to close the term.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,	18	Average	attendance.		15.5
Fall	"	"	"	18	"	"		16
Winter	"	"	"	18	"	"		11.5

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,	31	Average	attendance,		22
Fall	"	"	"	32	"	"		28
Winter	"	"	"	24	"	"		14

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,	20	Average	attendance,		17
Fall	"	"	"	22	"	"		17
Winter	"	"	"	14	"	"		10

CENTER—No. 1.

Spring term, whole number scholars,					20	Average attendance,		17.5
Fall	"	"	"	"	28	"	"	25.5
Winter	"	"	"	"	31	"	"	27

CENTER—No. 2.

Spring term, whole number scholars,					20	Average attendance,		18.5
Fall	"	"	"	"	27	"	"	25
Winter	"	"	"	"	17	"	"	14

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number,					109	Average attendance,		90.5
Fall	"	"	"		127	"	"	111.5
Winter	"	"	"		104	"	"	84.5

Roll of Honor.

Names of Scholars neither Absent nor Tardy:—

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Two Terms—Virgil Parker, Dell Parker, Henry Butterfield, Bertie Butterfield. One Term—Martin Brooks, Blanche Caldwell, Charles Clark, Ethel Brooks.

CENTER SCHOOLS.

Three Terms—Eldora E. Sargeant. Two Terms—Jessie M. Davis, Jennie D. Leonard. One Term—Bertha C. Lovell, Clarence E. Dean, Carrie L. Winter, Minnie Dean, Chester Leonard.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Two Terms—Florence Bothwell, Aleide Latoune, Charles Latoune. One Term—Eugene Sanders, Leon Sanders, Jane Brook, Lottie Weld, Lena Dwelly.

WEST SCHOOL.

Three Terms—Mabel Austin, Maggie Currie. Two Terms—Lester W. Knight, Justin E. Rawson, Edith C. Adams, Alice T. White, Clifford R. Knight, Richard B. Adams. One Term—Leon H. Adams, Lester W. Knight, Warren P. Adams, Mary King.

JESSE ALLEN,
L. P. LOVELL,
H. P. AUSTIN,
} School Committee.

OAKHAM TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEATH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER ss.

To either of the Constables of the town of Oakham in the County of Worcester. GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Oakham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, known as Memorial Hall, on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ART. 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2d. To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and to act thereon.

ART. 3d. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations of the same.

ART. 5th. To see if the town will borrow money to meet any liabilities of the town, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 6th. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors nominated by the selectmen.

ART. 7th. To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8th. To determine the manner of repairing highways the ensuing year.

ART. 9th. To see if the town will employ some person to take care of the town hall and ring the church bell, the ensuing year, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 10th. To bring in their ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town."

ART. 11th. To see what compensation the town will allow for men and team in repairing highways and opening roads the ensuing year.

ART. 12th. To see if the town will abate any taxes that may be presented for abatement.

ART. 13th. To determine the manner of supporting paupers the ensuing year.

ART. 14th. To see if the town will provide for lighting the street lamps in the Center Village and in Coldbrook Village, the ensuing year, or take any vote relating thereto.

ART. 15th. To see if the town will grant to the Oakham Farmers' and Mechanics' Club the use of the town common and town hall for their exhibition in September next.

ART. 16th. To see if the town will vote to adopt any measures for the better protection of their public records, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 17th. To see if the town will vote to pay the Barre Fire Department the sum of one hundred dollars for services rendered at the fire in Coldbrook, April 14th, 1887.

ART. 18th. To see if the town will vote to rebuild the road from Coldbrook to the station on the Central Mass. Railroad, also the mill road leading to said station, or if thought advisable to build a new road from said station to a point between the Coldbrook House and the house of G. L. Ripley, instead of rebuilding the others, or pass any vote relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post Offices, and one at the Congregational meeting house in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

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GREETING:

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ARTICLE 1.—To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2.—To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and to act thereon.

ART. 3.—To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

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ART. 16.—To see if the town will vote to hold their annual town meeting on the first Monday in April, or pass any vote relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the post-offices, and one at the Congregational meeting-house in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February, in year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
Selectmen of Oakham.

A true copy attest,

N. W. PACKARD, Constable.

Town Officers for 1888.

TOWN CLERK,
JESSE ALLEN.

SELECTMEN,
C. H. PARKER, D. R. DEAN, L. N. HASKELL.

ASSESSORS,
D. R. DEAN, S. H. BULLARD, H. W. LINCOLN.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,
JESSE ALLEN, H. P. AUSTIN, W. M. ROBINSON.

COLLECTOR,
F. S. CONANT,

TREASURER,
S. M. SARGEANT.

CONSTABLES,
C. H. PARKER, N. W. PACKARD, J. W. BEMIS.
H. P. AUSTIN, E. MULLETT.

AUDITOR,
E. A. LINCOLN.

FENCE VIEWERS.
A. C. BULLARD, JESSE ALLEN.

FIELD DRIVERS,
MICHAEL GAFFNEY. JASON A. ALLEN.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.
D. M. PARKER, D. R. DEAN.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.
D. M. PARKER, W. S. CRAWFORD, D. R. DEAN,
W. P. ADAMS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.
JESSE ALLEN, L. P. LOVELL, H. P. AUSTIN.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.
J. P. MORSE, WM. C. CRAWFORD, LEWIS N. HASKELL,
G. N. BRIGGS, H. P. AUSTIN, H. D. BULLARD,
D. M. PARKER, S. H. BULLARD, MICHAEL GAFFNEY,
H.W. LINCOLN, ALFRED WOODIS, PATRICK GAFFNEY,
J. E. STONE. J. K. PARMENTER,

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

In accordance with custom, we beg leave to submit the following Report of our doings for the year ending March 1st, 1889:

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$22 00	
" " express and stationery,	4 31	$26 31

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	50 00	
" postage and stationery,	8 21	58 21

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	10 00	10 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services, D. R. Dean,	32 00	
H. W. Lincoln,	31 00	
S. H. Bullard,	20 00	83 00

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	65 00	
" postage and stationery,	58	65 58

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services, L. P. Lovell,	30 00	
Jesse Allen,	40 50	70 50

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,		1,338 91

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Center District,	498 75	
" Coldbrook "	264 00	
" West "	199 50	
" South "	189 95	
" East "	25 00	
" School supplies,	108 02	1,285 22

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid William O. Keep,	50	41	
J. P. Morse,	47	48	
D. M. Parker,	40	17	
W. C. Crawford,	49	11	
Geo. N. Briggs,	24	88	
J. K. Parmenter,	50	00	
J. E. Stone,	57	66	
Michael Gaffney,	51	27	
Patrick Gaffney,	51	10	
W. M. Robinson,	58	11	
H. W. Lincoln,	59	16	
S. H. Bullard,	57	30	
L. N. Haskell,	52	50	
H. P. Austin,	58	56	
H. D. Bullard,	25	25	
L. N. Haskell, in W. C. Crawford's District,	14	50	747 46

BRIDGES AND RAILING.

Paid D. M. Parker,	78	48	
D. R. Dean,	24	00	102 48

OPENING ROADS.

Paid Michael Gaffney,	71	22	
H. D. Bullard,	34	90	
H. W. Lincoln,	74	54	
Patrick Gaffney,	77	87	
J. E. Stone,	61	81	
J. P. Morse,	40	98	
Wm. O. Keep,	41	83	
Geo. N. Briggs,	80	58	
D. M. Parker,	55	92	
L. N. Haskell,	65	62	
W. C. Crawford,	111	26	
W. M. Robinson,	33	11	
H. P. Austin,	61	83	
H. A. Crawford,	3	61	
H W. Bartlett,	6	79	
J. K. Parmenter,	49	47	
S. H. Bullard,	41	09	912 43

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Caldwell,	48	00	
Elbridge Mullett, Guardian for Charlotte Mullett,	48	00	
H. V. Parmenter,	16	00	
Geo E. Reed,	36	00	148 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Horace M. Green,	50 00	50 00

EXPENSE OF REBUILDING ROADS.

Paid Geo. A. Putman, for surveying,	32 00	
I. N. Monroe, "	7 88	
L. Knight, "	3 00	
C. W. Burbank, making specifications,	3 50	
J. H. Seaver, building roads,	810 00	
J. K. Clark, land damage,	50 00	
J. C. Bemis, "	11 00	
Selectmen, for services,	24 00	941 38

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Barre fire department,	100 00	
O. S. Kendall, register face,	1 26	
Abatement of Taxes, F. S. Conant,	6 59	
" " L. P. Lovell,	6 00	
James Packard, services as Sexton,	52 50	
A. J. Lawrence, Printing,	45 25	
Wm. M. Thompson, ringing church bell,	30 00	
Geo. H. Temple, Memorial Day,	13 44	
Repairs on Coldbrook school house,	74 83	
Interest on Note, Spencer Savings Bank,	37 50	
Principal " " "	1,500 00	
Wm. S. Crawford, repairs on school houses,	4 25	
County Tax,	254 00	
State Tax,	427 50	
W. C. Ireland, town safe,	190 00	
M. M. Butterfield, moving safe,	8 00	
W. H. White, repairs on stove,	3 95	
Suppression of the liquor traffic,	61 15	
Interest Barre Savings Bank,	5 25	
Interest on Note to Commonwealth,	287 50	
Principal " "	3,500 00	
H. P. Austin, grading common,	20 00	
E. L. Sawyer, certificates of births,	8 00	
A. J. Holden, lighting street lamps,	25 00	
Coldbrook Village Society,	25 00	
F. E. Reed, repairs on school house,	1 75	
Discount on Taxes,	223 34	
Wm. S. Crawford, erecting guide boards,	50 00	
Chas. A. Gleason, ringing church bell and care of Memorial Hall,	35 00	6,997 06

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers,	313 60	
Support of Paupers,	1,338 91	
Schools,	1,285 22	
Repairs on highways,	747 46	
" bridges and railing,	102 48	
Opening roads,	912 43	
State aid,	148 00	
Military aid,	80 00	
Rebuilding roads,	941 38	
Miscellaneous expenses,	6,997 06	12,866 54

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

S. M. SARGEANT, Treasurer.

DR.

To balance in Treasury March 1, 1888,	1,863 78	
Cash from use Memorial Hall,	3 00	
" A. W. Beard,	59	
Cash borrowed Spencer Savings Bank,	1,500 00	
Cash from sale of grass on common,	2 85	
Cash borrowed Barre Savings Bank,	700 00	
" Commonwealth,	3,500 00	
Cash from Corporation tax,	18 62	
" National Bank tax,	10 69	
" State aid,	147 00	
" Dog fund,	115 47	
" H. P. Austin, guardian for Benj. Nourse,	200 00	
" Town Milford,	71 00	
" School fund,	375 27	
" Town tax,	5,440 00	
" L. P. Lovell, interest on taxes,	4 25	
" State tax,	427 50	
" County tax,	254 00	
" Overlayings,	96 33	
" Sale school supplies,	4 92	14,735 27

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	12,866 54	
Uncollected taxes of 1887, due from F. S. Conant,	182 27	
" " 1888, " "	1,393 57	
Cash,	292 89	14,735 27

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Dr.

To State tax,	427 50		
County tax,	254 00		
Town tax,	5,444 00		
Overlaying tax,	96 33	6,217	83

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By Treasurer's receipts,	4,824 26		
Uncollected taxes,	1,393 57	6,217	83

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,

Selectmen of Oakham.

Treasurer's Bond.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents, that we, Stephen M. Sargeant of Oakham, County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, as principal, and Henry P. Austin and Jesse Allen, both of said Oakham, as sureties, are holden and stand firmly bound unto the inhabitants of said Oakham, in the sum of five thousand dollars, to the payment of which to the said inhabitants, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators. The condition of the obligation is such, that whereas the said Stephen M. Sargeant has been duly elected Treasurer of the above-named town of Oakham, and has accepted said office, now therefore, if the said Stephen M. Sargeant shall faithfully perform and discharge all the duties of said office during the term for which he has been elected, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals, this second day of April, A. D. 1888.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

F. S. CONANT,
W. R. DEAN.

STEPHEN M. SARGEANT,
HENRY P. AUSTIN,
JESSE ALLEN.

Collector's Bond.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents, that we, F. S. Conant of Oakham, County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, as principal, and Sanford Bullard and G. F. Conant, both of said Oakham, as sureties, are holden and stand firmly bound unto the inhabitants of said Oakham in the sum of three thousand dollars, to the payment of which to the said inhabitants we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators. The condition of the obligation is such, that whereas the said F. S. Conant has been duly elected Collector of the above-named town and has accepted said office, now therefore, if the said F. S. Conant shall faithfully perform and discharge all the duties of said office during the term for which he has been elected, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals this 30th day of August, A. D. 1888.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

F. E. REED,
J. K. PARMENTER.

F. S. CONANT,
SANFORD H. BULLARD,
G. F. CONANT.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM.

Received of the Town for support of the poor,	$1.338 91	
" " " of Rutland,	75 00	1.413 91
There has also been received and paid to the Treasurer of the Town, from the Guardian of Benjamin Nourse,	200 00	
Received from the Town of Milford,	71 00	271 00
Excess of the pauper expenses above the amounts remitted to the Town,		$1.067 91

WE ACCOUNT FOR THE AMOUNT RECEIVED AS FOLLOWS:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,	169 92	
" " " Benjamin Nourse,	169 92	
Mrs. S. M. Thresher for Lyman Crawford,	68 10	
Burial expenses of Lyman Crawford,	10 00	
Mrs. S. M. Thresher for Lydia Chamberlain,	106 86	
H. P. Austin for Moses Bartlett,	26 00	
S. O. Butler "	64 00	
For clothing, "	3 25	
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	192 00	
Burial expenses "	12 00	
Wm. Mandall for Almira Woodis,	104 00	
Mrs. S. M. Thresher for Ella Babbitt,	40 00	
Burial expenses "	13 00	
Town of Athol for Mrs. Lavina B. Field,	31 88	
Aid furnished family of Edgar Cleaveland,	137 14	
For surgical treatment and general care of Wm. Minton,	71 00	
Dr. E. L. Sawyer, medical attendance,	72 25	
For keeping seventeen tramps,	12 75	
N. W. Packard for sundries,	15 42	
C. H. Parker, "	1 95	
Hon. Charles Brimblecorm, (Mundall Case),	24 64	
Counsel in Field case,	5 00	
H. P. Austin, two journeys to Athol,	9 33	
Jesse Allen, travelling expenses, stationery and postage,	23 50	
Overseer's general services,	30 00	1.413 91

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JESSE ALLEN,
H. P. AUSTIN,
W. M. ROBINSON,
Overseers of the Poor.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Treasurer for the year ending March 1st, 1889, and find them correct. E. A. LINCOLN, Auditor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM IN 1888.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	19	Daughter to	Frank S. Conant.
Feb.	21	Son to	George W. Reed.
"	22	Son to	Charles S. A. Woodbury.
March	29	Son to	Marcus M. Butterfield.
April	6	Son to	Horace M. Green.
May	17	Daughter to	Jesse Allen.
June	4	Daughter to	James L. Cockran.
July	6	Daughter to	Frank Weld.
"	10	Daughter to	Patrick McGrevey.
"	20	Son to	George E. Thresher.
Aug.	12	Son to	Charles E. Parker.
Sept.	3	Son to	Jennie McHugh.
"	9	Son to	Wallace Grimes.
"	24	Daughter to	Albert H. Matthews.
Oct.	5	Son to	Charles H. Nourse.
Nov.	18	Son to	John Saunders.
Dec.	24	Daughter to	Burt Banks.

TOTAL 17.

MARRIAGES.

Jan.	3	Cornelius P. Warren to	Katie D. Sheern.
March	24	James W. Caldwell to	Mrs. Rachel McLoud.
"	25	Charles H. Nourse, to	Elsie L. Sargeant.
April	28	Carlos P. Hill to	Mrs. Josie E. Thompson.
May	12	John V. Gibson to	Mrs. Harriet V. Parmenter.
July	29	Mason M. Luce to	Mary E. Ball.

TOTAL 6.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Feb.	14	Mrs. David Lovell,	66	1	3
March	31	Albert Fuller.	71	11	18
April	3	Mrs. Eliza Hill.	80	0	4
"	20	Nicholas H. Kent,	28		
May	26	Lyman Crawford,	74	4	27
June	2	Charles Humes,		3	5
Aug.	2	John A. Kane,	20		
"	5	Eva E. Hatstal,		5	3
"	9	Isaac Jones,	81	8	4
"	23	Grace M. Reed.	3	1	
"	30	Mrs Lucy A. Leonard,	49	8	6
Sept.	16	Mrs. Irene P. Briggs,	77	5	27
"	26	George F. Conant,	69	5	16
"	28	Nathan S. Walker.	76	3	24
Oct.	16	Mrs. M. E. Smith,	56	2	
Nov.	30	Rasselas Winslow,	58	3	10
Dec.	10	Ella A. Babbitt.	41	7	4
		BURIED IN TOWN.			TOTAL 17.
July	29	William C. Fuller,	25	0	8
Jan.	22	Mrs. Sullivan Dean,	74	2	8
Feb.	23	Mrs. Nancy Hardy,	75	3	16
"	28	Ida D. Ayres,	4	1	21
May	10	Fred. B. Thompson,	26	6	6

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Report of the School Committee of the Town of Oakham, for the year ending April 1st, 1889, is as follows:

DR.

To amount appropriated for support of schools by the town,	$850 00
Received from State school fund,	375 27
Cash for school supplies,	4 92
Dog tax returned to the town for support of schools,	115 47
Total for the support of schools,	1,345 66

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By expenses of the several schools as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid Lillian Robinson, spring term,	$60 00
" " fall term,	60 00
" " winter Term,	65 00
Fuel and care of house;	4 95
	189 95

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Ina M. Thompson, spring term,	88 00
" " fall term,	80 00
Lellia Adams, winter term.	77 00
Fuel and care of house,	19 00
	264 00

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid H. M. Hunt, spring term,	54 00
J. H. Orzina Lovell, fall term,	60 00
" " winter term,	70 00
Fuel and care of house,	15 50
	199 50

CENTER SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid J. H. Orzina Lovell, spring term,	31 50
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, fall term,	65 00
Ada V. Walker, winter term,	65 00
	161 50

CENTER SCHOOL--GRAMMAR.

Amount paid Minnie L. Woodis, spring term,		63 00
Alice M. Gardner, fall term,		92 50
" " winter term,		101 75
Fuel and care of house,		71 50
		328 75

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Amount paid Mrs. Henry Bartlett, fall term,		15 00
" " winter term,		10 00
		25 00
Total expenses of teachers, care of houses and fuel,		1,168 70

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Coldbrook, paid R. F. Parker, work and lumber,	74 83	
Center, paid Fred Reed,	1 75	76 58

TEXT BOOKS FOR USE OF SCHOOLS.

Cash value of school books and school supplies belonging to the town Feb. 1, 1888, was $152 49, beside those in use.		
Value of supplies Feb. 1, 1889,	86 19	
Reduced during the year,		66 30
Bought of F. S. Conant,		3 24
School supplies by F. S. Conant,		19 89
Coperthwaite & Co.,		17 34
B. A. Fowler & Co., one set International Encyclopedias, 15 vols.,		50 00
Cash paid N. W. Packard, supplies,		5 08
Paid F. S. Conant, care of supplies,		8 50
Entire cost of school supplies,		173 35
Total expense of schools during the past year,		1,338 55
Due School Committee for services the past year:		
Jesse Allen,	52 50	
L. P. Lovell,	37 00	
H. P. Austin,	10 00	

We believe our schools have been unusually successful during the past year. There has been a great change in the methods of teaching during the past few years, and in no branch greater than in grammar. We have been slow, perhaps too slow, to adopt the new methods in use around us. Two years ago we spoke of our need of new grammars. We have sought in vain for a grammar that would satisfy; but we intend the change shall be made before our schools commence for another year.

We are satisfied with the length of our school year, as being all the town is able to furnish, as well as being long enough for the best good of most of our scholars.

We think from our experience of the past year that the best of teachers should be eagerly sought for, even if they do cost a little more.

The School Committee were invited a short time ago to meet with Committees from four neighboring towns, to consult as to the advisability of chosing a General Superintendent of Schools, who should act in connection with local school Committees. It was unanimously agreed that the best interests of our school did not require it.

$50 were appropriated for repairs last year. Your Committee have expended $76.58, most of it on Coldbrook school house. We would advise an appropriation of $50 for the ensuing year. We will try to get along with the same appropriation for the support of schools as last year, $850.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	16	Average attenda ce,	14			
Fall " " " "	17	" "	11 2/3			
Winter " " " "	11	" "	8			

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	29	Average attendance,	26
Fall " " " "	33	" "	30
Winter " " " "	35	" "	29

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	17	Average attendance,	15
Fall " " " "	22	" "	20
Winter " " " "	24	" "	17

CENTER—No 1.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,	38	Average attendance,	33
Fall " " " "	21	" "	17 1/3
Winter " " " "	24	" "	19

CENTER—No. 2.

Fall term, whole number of scholars.	28	Average attendance,	25
Winter " " "	28	" "	24

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number,	100	Average attendance,	88
Fall " " "	121	" "	104
Winter " " "	122	" "	97

Number of scholars enrolled in all our schools, 132.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Two Terms—Walter Woodis, Eugene Sanders. One Term—Florence Bothwell, Lena Dwelly, Leon Sanders.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Three Terms—Henry Butterfield, Mary Cleaveland. Two Terms—Bertie Butterfield, Martin Brooks, Mabel Caldwell, Eddie Needham, Ida Needham, Denny Needham, Elmer Cleaveland. One Term—Virgil Parker, Dell Parker, Charlie Clark, Bertie Needham, Ethel Brooks, Blanche Caldwell.

CENTER.

Three Terms—Fannie Robinson, David Robinson. Two Terms—George Loring, Blanche Packard. One Term—Ellen Singer, Ella Sheern, Irvin Mullet, Daniel Holden, Jesse Robinson, John Sheern, Jennie Loring, Bertie Sargeant, Jennie Day, Frank Parker, George Briggs, Jerry Murphy.

JESSE ALLEN,
L. P. LOVELL,
H. P. AUSTIN.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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OF THE

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FOR THE

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER—ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Oakham, in the county of Worcester,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachussetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Oakham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, known as "Memorial Hall," on Monday, the third day of March next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2.—To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and to act thereon.

ART. 3.—To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations of the same.

ART. 5.—To see if the town will borrow money to meet any liabilities of the town, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 6.—To see if the town will accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen.

ART. 7.—To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8.—To determine the manner of repairing highways the ensuing year.

ART. 9.—To see if the town will employ some person to take care of the town hall and ring the church bell the ensuing year, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 10.—To bring in their ballot "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town."

ART. 11.—To see what compensation the town will allow for men and teams in repairing highways and opening roads the ensuing year.

ART. 12.—To see if the town will abate any taxes that may be presented for abatement.

ART. 13.—To determine the manner of supporting paupers the ensuing year.

ART. 14.—To see if the town will provide for lighting the street lamps the ensuing year, or to take any vote relative thereto.

ART. 15.—To see if the town will grant to the Oakham Farmers' and Mechanics' Club, the use of the town common and town hall for their exhibition in September next.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the post-offices, and one at the Congregational meeting-house in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
Selectmen of Oakham.

A true copy attest,
C. H. PARKER, Constable of Oakham.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1889.

TOWN CLERK,
JESSE ALLEN.

SELECTMEN,
D. R. DEAN, C. H. PARKER, L. N. HASKELL.

ASSESSORS,
D. R. DEAN, S. H. BULLARD, H. W. LINCOLN.

OVERSEERS OF POOR,
JESSE ALLEN, H. P. AUSTIN, W. M. ROBINSON.

COLLECTOR,
LEONARD P. LOVELL.

TREASURER,
STEPHEN M. SARGEANT.

CONSTABLES,
C. H. PARKER, ELBRIDGE MULLETT,
W. M. ROBINSON, J. WM. BEMIS.

AUDITOR,
FRANK S. CONANT.

FENCE VIEWERS,
A. C. BULLARD, L. N. HASKELL, JESSE ALLEN.

FIELD DRIVERS,
CHARLES NOURSE, GEORGE ALLEN,
PATRICK GAFFNEY, JAMES SHEERN, J. W. BEMIS,
S. J. FOSTER, FRANK BURT.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER,
J. N. MORSE, D. M. PARKER, D. R. DEAN.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK,
WM. S. CRAWFORD, D. R. DEAN, D. M. PARKER.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.
N. W. PACKARD.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
JESSE ALLEN, H. W. LINCOLN, H. P. AUSTIN.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

We herewith submit in detail the Report for the year ending March 1st, 1890:

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$21 50	

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	50 00	

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for postage, stationery and express,	2 00	

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services, D. R. Dean,	30 60	
S. H. Bullard,	20 25	$50 85

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	75 00	
postage and stationery,	87	75 87

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services, L. P. Lovell,	37 00	
Jesse Allen,	52 50	
H. P. Austin,	10 00	99 50

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,		1,192 67

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Center District,	632 62	
" Coldbrook "	238 00	
" West "	218 50	
" South "	209 95	
" East "	55 00	
" School Supplies,	143 47	1,497 54

OPENING ROADS.

Paid Michael Gaffney,	6 42	
Patrick Gaffney,	7 13	
H. P. Austin,	5 75	
Geo. N. Briggs,	2 94	
L. N. Haskell,	2 00	
W. O. Keep,	4 96	29 20

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid J. K. Parmenter,	2 10	
H. P. Austin,	42 56	
C. S. Clifford,	74 04	
W. M. Robinson,	76 18	
J. F. Robinson,	46 40	
G. W. Stone,	37 52	
W. O. Keep,	59 72	
E. H. Dwelly,	57 95	
S. H. Bullard,	51 60	
L. N. Haskell,	48 50	
Patrick Gaffney,	35 60	
Michael Gaffney,	42 07	
D. M. Parker,	56 00	
John E. Stone,	94 30	
W. A. Nye,	69 27	
H. D. Bullard,	48 07	841 88

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Elbridge Mullett, guardian for Charlotte Mullett,	28 00	
Geo. E. Reed,	18 00	94 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Horace M. Green,	96 00	96 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid B. P. Clark, land damage,	20 00
Repairs on Scraper,	17 10
A. Loring, repairs on hearse,	8 00
Geo. H. Temple, Memorial Day,	20 00
C. H. Parker, spikes for bridge,	1 31
L. R. Robinson, repairs on chimney,	13 00
D. M. Parker, guide posts,	4 59
Maynard, Gough & Co., printing,	19 25
James Packard, services as sexton,	25 75
E. L. Sawyer, certificates of births,	2 50

E. L. Sawyer, certificates of deaths,	1 75	
A. J. Holden, chimney cap,	9 00	
F. S. Conant, hardware,	74	
F. A. Smith, insurance,	77 63	
D. M. Parker, voting shelves and rail,	8 17	
D. R. Dean, plank for bridge,	2 12	
L. N. Haskell, grading around common,	11 00	
L. P. Lovell, discount on taxes,	179 49	
F. S. Conant, abatement of taxes,	33 31	
County Tax,	225 00	
State Tax,	340 00	
Principal on Note Spencer Saving Bank,	1000 00	
Interest " " "	101 92	
Principal on Note Barre Savings Bank,	700 00	
Principal " " " "	500 00	
Interest " " "	40 07	
Interest on Note to Commonwealth,	200 00	
Principal " "	1,500 00	
C. A. Gleason, lighting street lamps,	25 00	
Coldbrook Improvement Society, lighting street lamps,	25 00	5,111 70

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers,	299 72	
Support of Paupers,	1,192 67	
Schools,	1,497 54	
Opening Roads,	29 20	
Repairing Highways,	841 88	
State Aid,	94 00	
Military Aid,	96 00	
Miscellaneous Expenses,	5,111 70	9,162 71

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

S. M. Sargeant, Treasurer.

Dr.

To Balance in Treasury, March 1st, 1889,	1,868 73
Cash borrowed Barre Savings Bank,	500 00
" Commonwealth,	1,500 00
" Commonwealth,	1000 00
Cash from Corporation tax,	7 77
" National Bank tax,	8 91
" State aid,	188 00
" Dog fund,	111 19
" School fund,	305 04

" Sale of school supplies,	3 94		
" L. P. Lovell, interest on taxes for 1886,	19 00		
" Town tax,	4,740 00		
" State tax,	340 00		
" County tax,	225 00		
" Overlaying,	150 58		
" Grass on common,	7 00		
" Use Memorial Hall,	6 00	10,981	16

Cr.

By paying Selectmen's orders,	9,162 71		
Uncollected taxes due from F. S. Conant,	445 03		
Uncollected taxes of 1889 due from L. P. Lovell,	1,268 58		
Cash,	104 84	10,981	16

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Due Commonwealth, Dec. 31st, 1891, Note at four per cent,	3,500 00		
" Commonwealth, Oct. 12th, 1892, Note at four per cent,	1,500 00		
" Commonwealth, Dec. 26th, 1892, Note at four per cent,	1000 00		
	6000 00		

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Dr.

To State tax,	340 00		
" County tax,	225 00		
" Town tax,	4,740 00		
" Overlayings,	150 58	5,455	58

Cr.

By Treasurer's receipts,	4,187 00		
" Uncollected taxes,	1,268 58	5,455	58

L. P. LOVELL, Collector.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST 1890.

Received of the Town for support of the poor, $1,192 67

WHICH WE ACCOUNT FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,		169 46
" " " Benjamin Nourse,		57 65
Wm. Mandell for Almira Woodis,		104 00
Peter Gagnon for Mrs. John King,	52 00	
Town of Spencer " "	10 50	62 50
Estate of S. M. Thresher for Lydia Chamberlain,	4 29	
Shedd Brothers, " "	74 65	78 94
Mrs. Edwards for children of Edgar Cleaveland,	110 65	
C. H. Parker, " " "	3 70	
F. E. Reed " " "	1 75	116 10
Dr. Burns, med. attendance for Mrs. L. B. Field,	4 50	
Town of Athol " "	137 01	
Mr. Lee " "	15 00	
L. S. Starrett " "	54 00	210 51
S. O. Butler for Moses Bartlett,		104 60
C. A. Gleason for James Babbitt,	113 05	
Med. attendance on "	31 75	144 80
City of Somerville for Mrs. O. Lloyd,		6 85
J. W. Bemis, keeping eighteen tramps,		13 50
Dea. J. Packard, burial expense of Mrs. S. M. Thresher,		17 50
N. W. Packard, sundries,		9 41
Medical attendance on Mrs. Horatio Perkins,		45 75
W. M. Robinson, journey and expenses to Athol,		4 00
Jesse Allen, traveling expenses, postage and stationery, Telephoning,		16 10
		1 00
Overseer's ordinary services,		30 00
		1,192 67

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
W. M. ROBINSON,
H. P. AUSTIN,
Overseers of the Poor.

This is to certify that I have examined and found correct the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Treasurer of the Town of Oakham, for the year ending March 1st, 1890.

F. S. CONANT, Auditor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM IN 1889.

BIRTHS.

April	15	Daughter to	Arthur L. Loring.
"	24	Daughter to	Frank E. Burt.
May	3	Daughter to	J. Wm. Bemis.
"	17	Son to	Charles B. Richardson.
"	29	Son to	Walter R. Dean.
July	14	Son to	Sanford H. Bullard.
Aug.	9	Son to	Paul Snay.
Sept.	1	Daughter to	John P. Day.
Oct.	21	Son to	Charles A. Hatstat.
Nov.	10	Son to	Henry W. Bartlett.
"	17	Son to	Wm. R. Cummings.
"	18	Son to	Peter Ducette.
"	28	Daughter to	James Fox.

Total 13.

MARRIAGES.

Sept.	18	Rev. H. P. Leonard to	Eliza A. Kittredge.
Oct.	9	Walter Parker to	Emma E. Clark.
"	20	Charles N. Green to	Mary E. Murray.
Dec.	23	Dr. Windsor A. Brown to	Florence N. Keith.
"	23	Wm. E. Morse to	Jennie M. Gleason.
"	25	George L. Parker to	Lillian E. Robinson.

Total 6.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	14	Mrs. Susan M. Thresher,	62	5	30
Feb.	27	Mrs. Louisa Abbott,	87	10	27
Mar.	26	Mrs. Katie Babcock,	34	3	12
May	25	Mrs. Phebe W. Wood,	59	8	25
June	15	William H. Hickey,	9	11	23
Sept.	16	Horace Wilbur.	82	2	11
"	26	Edwin A. Hatstat,	6	9	5
Nov.	5	Mrs. Elvira Houghton,	64	8	9
"	13	Mrs. Eliza Wilbur,	86	8	25
"	29	Charles H. Nourse,	27	0	29
Dec.	21	Mrs. Mary A. Walker,	57	2	5
"	21	Minnie W. Banks,	0	11	29

BURIED IN TOWN. Total 12.

July	11	Mrs. Samuel Crawford,	80		
"	28	Jessie Fairbanks,	28	8	1
Nov.	28	John Adams,	62		
Dec.	22	Mrs. Olive M. Howard,	30	0	3

JESSE ALLEN, TOWN CLERK.

SCHOOL REPORT.

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To amount appropriated for support of schools by the town,	$850 00
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	1,269 52

CR.

By expenses for the several schools, as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Lillian Robinson, spring term,	60 00
" " fall term,	65 00
Miss Dora E. Sargeant, winter term,	60 00
Fuel and care of house,	16 45
	201 45

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Lelia Adams, spring term,	70 00
" " fall term,	70 00
" " winter term,	80 00
Fuel and care of house,	9 00
	229 00

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss J. H. O. Lovell, spring term,	65 00
" " fall term,	65 00
" " winter term,	70 00
Fuel and care of house,	8 50
	208 50

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, spring term,	70 00
" " fall term,	70 00
" " winter term,	70 00
	210 00

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Amount paid Miss Alice M. Gardner, spring term,	92	50
Miss Florence Keith, fall term,	90	00
Miss Maria Lincoln, winter term,	80	00
Fuel and care of house,	96	27
	358	77

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Amount paid Mrs. Henry Bartlett,	25	00
Mrs. Paul Snay,	5	00
Edgar O. Crawford, carrying children,	25	00
	55	00
Total expense of teachers, care of houses and fuel,	1,262	72

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid R. F. Parker, repairs on school houses,	41	75
Wm. S. Crawford, " "	39	10
	80	85

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Value of school supplies on hand, Feb. 1st, 1890.	136	38
" " " " 1889.	86	19
Paid for school supplies during year,	149	74
F. S. Conant, care of supplies,	8	50
	158	24
Cost of school supplies used during year,	99	55

Barnes' Language Lessons, and Language Charts have been introduced into our schools with the very best results.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,	16		Average attendance,		15	
Fall "	" " "	19		"	"	17	
Winter "	" " "	14		"	"	9	

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,	34		Average attendance,		31	
Fall "	" " "	40		"	"	36	
Winter "	" " "	36		"	"	33	

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,			20	Average attendance,			18
Fall	"	"	"	21	"	"		19
Winter	"	"	"	27	"	"		25

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,			28	Average attendance,			20
Fall	"	"	"	38	"	"		34
Winter	"	"	"	27	"	"		23

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,			29	Average attendance,			20
Fall	"	"	"	25	"	"		15
Winter	"	"	"	22	"	"		17

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term,	whole number,			127	Average attendance,			104
Fall	"	"	"	143	"	"		121
Winter	"	"	"	126	"	"		107

Number of scholars enrolled in all our schools 166.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

WEST SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—L. Mabel Austin, Edith C. Adams, Stella L. Wyman. TWO TERMS—Justin E. Rawson. ONE TERM—Clifford R. Knight, Alice White, Maggie Curry, Lester Knight, Richard Adams, Warren Adams.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Edna Bemis, Bertie Butterfield, Henry Butterfield. TWO TERMS—Ruth Butterfield, Ethel Bemis, Dell Parker, Denny Needham, Maud Parker, Elmer Cleaveland. ONE TERM—Edgar Brooks, Martin Brooks, Robbie Brooks, Millie Parker, Virgil Parker, Mildred Bliss, May Cleaveland, Winnie Matthews, Ida Needham, Gertie Needham, Lottie Sibley, Eva Woodbury.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Lena Dwelly. TWO TERMS—Walter Woodis. ONE TERM—Jane Brooks, Lena Saunders, Florence Bothwell, Dena Latour, Adelaide Latour, Leon Saunders.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—George Loring, Clement Ayres. ONE TERM—Marion Spear, Addison Angus, Leon Adams, Fannie Robinson, George Briggs, Alpha Sawyer, Ruth Briggs, Jennie Loring, Blanche Packard, Eva Stone, Anna Hickey, James Allen, Johnnie Day, David Robinson, Herbert Sargeant, Jerry Murphy.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
H. P. AUSTIN,
H. W. LINCOLN,

School Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT

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Town Officers for 1890.

TOWN CLERK,
JESSE ALLEN.

SELECTMEN,
C. H. PARKER, D. R. DEAN, L. N. HASKELL.

ASSESSORS,
D. R. DEAN, S. H. BULLARD, H. W. LINCOLN.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,
JESSE ALLEN, H. P. AUSTIN, W. M. ROBINSON.

COLLECTOR,
LEONARD P. LOVELL.

TREASURER,
STEPHEN M. SARGEANT.

CONSTABLES,
C. H. PARKER, N. W. PACKARD, R. J. BROOKS,
ELBRIDGE MULLETT, J. K. CLARK.

AUDITOR,
FRANK S. CONANT.

FENCE VIEWERS,
A. C. BULLARD, L. N. HASKELL, JESSE ALLEN.

FIELD DRIVERS,
G. W. STONE, W. A. BURT, H. D. BULLARD,
PATRICK GAFFNEY, MICHAEL GAFFNEY.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER,
D. M. PARKER, D. R. DEAN, J. N. MORSE.

MEASURERS OF WOOD,
C. H. PARKER, W. P. ADAMS, WM. S. CRAWFORD.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.
A. J. HOLDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
JESSE ALLEN, H. W LINCOLN, H. P. AUSTIN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER—ss.:

To either of the Constables of the town of Oakham, in the County of Worcester,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Oakham, qualified to vote in elections, and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, known as "Memorial Hall," on Monday, the second day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To here the annual report of the several town officers, and to act thereon.

ART. 3.—To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations of the same.

ART. 5.—To see if the town will borrow money to meet any liabilities of the town, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 6.—To see if the town will accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen.

ART. 7.—To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8.—To see if the town will employ some person to take care of the town hall and ring the church bell the ensuing year, or pass any vote relative thereto.

ART. 9.—To bring in their ballots "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors he granted in this town?"

ART. 10.—To see what compensation the town will allow for men and teams in repairing highways and opening roads the ensuing year.

ART. 11.—To see if the town will abate any taxes that may be presented for abatement.

ART. 12.—To determine the manner of supporting paupers the ensuing year.

ART. 13.—To see if the town will provide for lighting the street lamps the ensuing year, or pass any vote relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the post-offices, and one at the Congregational meeting-house in said town, seven days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety one.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL,
Selectmen of Oakham.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

We herewith submit in detail the Report for the year ending March 1st, 1891 :

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$17 70		
postage and express,	7 60	$25	30

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services.	50 00		
tax book and blanks, two years,	17 37	67	37

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	20 00		
postage and stationery,	1 50	21	50

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services, D. R. Dean,	30 00		
H. W. Lincoln, two years,	52 00		
S. H. Bullard,	20 00	102	00

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services, C. H. Parker,	25 00		
D. R. Dean,	25 00		
L. N. Haskell,	25 00		
telephoning and postage,	2 69	77	69

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services, Jesse Allen,	53 33		
H. W. Lincoln,	20 00		
H. P. Austin,	10 00	83	33

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of Poor,	1,215 49		

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for Centre District,	657 58		
Coldbrook "	242 80		
West "	236 50		
South "	200 75		
School Supplies,	137 34	1,474	97

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid L. N. Haskell, for services,	25 00	
" " repairs on highways,	795 04	820 04

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Elbridge Mullett, guardian for Charlotte Mullett,	10 00	58 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Geo. E. Reed,	18 00	
H. M. Green,	96 00	
Daniel Rogers,	64 00	178 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid C. A. Gleason, care Memorial Hall,	10 00	
C. A. Gleason, ringing church bell,	35 00	
L. P. Lovell, abatement of taxes,	4 00	
F. S. Conant, " "	4 00	
Mary A. Kent, " "	8 25	
Interest on note to Commonwealth,	240 00	
" " Barre Savings Bank,	21 80	
Principal on note " " "	1,000 00	
County tax,	245 00	
State tax,	297 50	
L. P. Lovell, discount on taxes,	210 82	
Maynard, Gough & Co., printing,	40 75	
W. A. Brown, certificates of births,	4 00	
W. A. Brown, " deaths,	4 00	
James Packard, repairs on pump,	2 48	
Geo. H. Temple, Memorial Day,	15 00	
Expense of Fire Inquest,	12 70	
L. N. Haskell, grading around Memorial Hall,	10 00	
A. J. Holden, repairs on furnace,	4 70	
James Packard, services as sexton,	30 25	
A. M. Butterfield, lighting street lamps,	25 00	
Suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors,	91 50	2,316 75

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers,	377 19	
Support of Paupers,	1,215 49	
School,	1,474 97	
Highways,	820 04	
State Aid,	58 00	
Military Aid,	178 00	
Miscellaneous Expenses,	2,316 75	6,440 44

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

S. M. SARGEANT, Treasurer.

DR.

To Balance in Treasury March 1, 1890,	1,818 45	
Cash from H. P. Austin, auctioneer's license,	2 00	
Cash borrowed Barre Savings Bank,	1,000 00	
Cash from James P. Fairbanks, town license,	3 00	
" Sale school supplies,	3 23	
" Corporation tax,	9 18	
" National Bank tax,	8 48	
" State aid,	144 00	
" Dog fund,	126 61	
" School fund,	306 63	
" H. L. Conant, auctioneer's license,	2 00	
" Use Memorial Hall,	8 00	
" Grass on common,	3 00	
" Town grant,	5,610 00	
" County tax,	245 00	
" State tax,	297 50	
" Overlayings,	110 86	9,697 94

CR.

By paying Selectmen's orders,	6,440 44	
Uncollected taxes, 1889, due from L. P. Lovell,	120 00	
" " 1890, " "	1,162 04	
Cash deposited in Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Co., towards liquidating town note due Dec. 31st, 1891,	1,000 00	
Cash on hand,	975 46	9,697 94

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Due Commonwealth,	Dec. 31, 1891,	note at 4%,	3,500 00	
"	Oct. 12, 1892,	"	1,500 00	
"	Dec. 26, 1893,	"	1,000 00	6,000 00

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

DR.

To State tax,	297 50	
County tax,	245 50	
Town tax,	5,610 00	
Overlayings,	48 04	
W. R. Barr's tax,	25 20	
Patrick McGreevey's tax,	37 62	
Uncollected taxes for 1889,	120 00	6,383 36

CR.

By Treasurer's receipts,	5,101 32	
Uncollected taxes for 1889,	120 00	
" " " 1890,	1,162 04	6,383 36

L. P. LOVELL, Collector.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE H. PARKER, } Selectmen
DAVID R. DEAN, } of
LEWIS N. HASKELL, } Oakham.

NAMES OF PERSONS SELECTED BY THE SELECTMEN TO SERVE AS JURORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

G. M. Dean, E. L. Parker, Jesse Allen, Jason Allen,
Walter R. Dean, James F. Robinson, W. M. Robinson,
James Sheern, M. O. Ayres.

Report of the Superintendent of Streets

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1891.

Paid C. S. Clifford, repairs on highways,		99 07
M. M. Butterfield, " "		61 83
D. M. Parker, " "		8 03
E. H. Dwelly, " "		7 25
Geo. Thrasher, " "		7 50
H. W. Lincoln, " "		44 39
W. A. Nye, " "		59 12
E. S. Parker, " "		1 75
F. Hapgood, " "		4 98
Michael Gaffney, " "		147 73
W. M. Robinson, " "		8 69
Job Simmons, " "		1 50
H. A. Crawford, " "		37 62
E. O. Crawford, " "		8 75
James Robinson, " "		2 27
S. J. Foster, " "		4 55
J. E. Stone, " "		19 00
Geo. E. Reed, " "		3 50
Geo. W. Stone, " "		6 00
W. Grimes, " "		4 02
F. E. Burt, " "		10 50
Patrick McGrevey, " "		39 40
L. N. Hapgood, " "		4 90
Dennis Leyden, " "		1 75
Frank Weld, " "		7 44
A. P. Hall, " "		4 90
Lewis Snow, " "		5 25
Henry Bartlett, " "		3 33
James Butler, " "		24 00
Susan Fairbanks, " "		8 00
H. P. Austin, " "		10 00
Alfred Woodis, " "		3 75
L. N. Haskell, " "		76 00
Geo. E. Allen, repairs on scraper,		11 00
Samuel Hickey, " "		2 50
David R. Dean, repairs on bridge,		19 99
J. E. Stone, breaking roads,		7 31
W. O. Keep, " "		4 30
P. Gaffney, " "		5 00
L. N. Haskell, " "		8 17
L. N. Haskell, for services,		25 00
		$820 04

Respectfully submitted,

L. N. HASKELL, Street Superintendent.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1891.

Received of the Town for support of the poor, $1,205 41

WHICH WE ACCOUNT FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,			$169 46
Wm. Mandell for Almira Woodis,			104 00
Peter Gagnon for Mrs. John King,			52 00
Shedd Brothers for Lydia Chamberlain,			103 70
Mrs. Edwards for children of Edgar Cleaveland,	88 93		
C. H. Parker, " " "	22 09		
Fred. Reed, " " "	75		111 77
L. S. Starrett for Mrs. L. B. Field,	78 00		
Town of Athol, " "	18 25		96 25
S. O. Butler for Moses Bartlett	89 50		
Med. attendance on "	2 30		91 80
C. A. Gleason for James Babbitt,	210 50		
Med. attendance on "	8 00		218 50
George E. Thresher for Lucy Robinson,	8 86		
Med. attendance on "	13 70		22 56
City of Worcester for Mrs. David,	3 30		
" " " Mrs. Spencer,	18 55		21 85
S. J. Foster, journey and expenses to Athol,			4 50
Med. attendance on Mrs. Horatio Perkins,			26 90
Worcester Hospital for Eugene Green,			42 85
Edward P. Maynard for child of Oliver Lloyd,			39 85
F. S. Conant, (sundries),			2 50
N. W Packard, (sundries),			10 87
C. S. Clifford, keeping 12 tramps,	6 00		
J. W. Bemis, " 29 "	21 75		27 75
Med. attendance on Frank Green,			22 30
Jesse Allen, ex. service, postage, etc.,			6 00
Overseers' ordinary service,			30 00
			$1,205 41

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
HENRY P. AUSTIN,
WALTER M. ROBINSON,
Overseers of the Poor.

This is to certify that I have examined and found correct, the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Treasurer of the Town of Oakham for the year ending March 1st, 1891.

F. S. CONANT, Auditor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM IN 1890.

BIRTHS.

Jan.	12	Daughter to Napoleon Porter.
Jan.	20	Daughter to Charles S. Clifford.
Feb.	4	Son (adopted) to Edgar O. Crawford.
Feb.	8	Daughter to Charles S. A. Woodbury.
Feb.	20	Son to George E. Thresher.
Feb.	25	Daughter to Patrick McGreevey.
Mar.	21	Son to Samuel Hickey.
April	4	Daughter to W. Prescott Adams.
May	17	Son to Lyman Robinson.
May	31	Son to Fred. Hill.
June	16	Son to Hanly Fitch.
July	17	Son to Charles McClenathan.
Aug.	3	Son to James F. Robinson.
Aug.	11	Son to Frank George.
Aug.	30	Daughter to Sanford H. Bullard.
Sept.	5	Son to Frank E. Burt.
Sept.	30	Daughter to Thomas Dickerman.
Oct.	8	Daughter to Frank S. Conant.
Oct.	22	Son to W. A. Brown, M. D.
Dec.	1	Son to Walter R. Dean.

Total 20.

MARRIAGES.

Mar.	23	Clayton C. Adams to Laura E. Graton.
June	17	Charles H. Wyman to Martha Robinson.
July	26	Henry S. Houghton to Mrs. Clara W. Crins.
Oct.	2	Dennis Leyden to Mary L. Wilbur.

Total 4.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Feb.	13	Betsey Sibley,	94	3	7
Feb.	28	Wm. Mirick Presho,	56	10	11
Mar.	14	Field Woodis,	67	9	22
Mar.	22	Frank Green,	47		
Mar.	28	Zebina L. Winslow,	74	11	23
Mar.	29	Sarah B. Spooner,	67	2	
May	3	Mary M. Perkins,	55	3	1
May	17	Amy A. Brooks,	54	1	3
July	22	Charlotte Mullett,	70		
July	28	Betsey C. Hooker,	82	9	7
Aug.	31	George A. Thresher,		6	11
Sept.	16	Jane McGrevey,		6	22
Oct.	14	Clara E. Temple,	24	10	22
Oct.	24	Sarah J. Clark,	79	10	
Nov.	21	Mary W. Leyden,	20	9	
Nov.	27	Lydia B. Chamberlain,	80	9	15

BURIED IN TOWN.

Total 16.

Feb.	2	Warren Harrington,	86	2	27
May	1	Chester Loring,	22		
May	10	Chauncey Colton,	86	3	14
Oct.	25	Daniel Noyes,	76	7	

JESSE ALLEN, TOWN CLERK.

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Received from State school fund,	306 63
" " Dog tax refunded,	126 61
" Cash for school supplies,	3 23
	$1,361 47

CR.

By expenses for the several schools, as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Amount paid Miss Maria L. Lincoln, spring term,	90 70
" " " Florence I. Sargeant, fall term,	90 00
" " " " " winter term,	90 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	83 00
	353 70

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, spring term,	70 00
" " " " " fall term,	70 00
" " " " " winter term,	70 00
	210 00

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Gracia M. Pierce, spring term,	72 50
" " " Amelia T. Adams, fall term,	80 00
" " " " " winter term,	72 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	18 30
	242 80

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss J. H. O. Lovell, spring term,	65 00
" " " " fall term,	65 00
" " " Lucy A. Hayes. winter term,	80 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	19 50
	229 50

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Eldora E. Sargeant, spring term,	60 00
" " " Cora F. Stoddard, fall term,	65 00
" " " Lillian E. Parker, winter term,	63 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	12 75
	200 75

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Paid Daniel E. Holden, carrying scholars, spring term,	25 00
Edwin S. Parker, " " fall term,	25 00
George E. Reed, " " winter term,	25 00
	75 00

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid repairs on West school house, H. P. Austin,	3 00
" Centre school house, Wm. S. Crawford,	14 00
" " " " A. J. Holden,	4 70
	21 70
Total expense of teachers, care and repair of houses and fuel,	1,333 45

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Value of school supplies on hand Feb. 1st, 1891,	198 15
" " " " " 1890,	136 38
Paid for school supplies during year,	122 92
F. S. Conant, care of supplies,	9 00
	131 92

Harper's Readers and Steele's Physiology have been introduced into our schools within the past year.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Spring term,	whole number of scholars,	21	Average attendance,	18				
Fall	"	"	"	"	25	"	"	22
Winter	"	"	"	"	29	"	"	24

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					32	Average attendance,		28
Fall	"	"	"	"	38	"	"	34
Winter	"	"	"	"	26	"	"	22

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					35	Average attendance,		33
Fall	"	"	"	"	36	"	"	31
Winter	"	"	"	"	32	"	"	29

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					21	Average attendance,		19
Fall	"	"	"	"	21	"	"	18
Winter	"	"	"	"	17	"	"	14

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					14	Average attendance,		12
Fall	"	"	"	"	16	"	"	15
Winter	"	"	"	"	11	"	"	9

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number,					123	Average attendance,		110
Fall	"	"	"		136	"	"	121
Winter	"	"	"		115	"	"	98

Number of scholars enrolled in all our schools, 166.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Scholars neither absent nor tardy:

CENTRE SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Fannie Robinson, David Robinson, James Allen. Two TERMS—Herbert Sargeant, Johnnie Day, Alice Allen, Edith Bartlett, Effie Bartlett, Sadie Packard, Clement Ayres, George Loring, Ralph Lovell, Bertie Hapgood. ONE TERM—Minnie Dean, Addison Angus, Jennie Brook, Lena Dwelly, Grace Gleason, Nellie Hatstat, Blanche Packard, George Briggs, Frank Russell, Fay Russell, Ethel Babcock, Edith Clifford, Walter Clifford, Eva Snay, Edward Crawford, Maud Sargeant, Eva Stone, Lymert Balcom.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Ruth Butterfield, Eva Woodbury, Bertie Butterfield, Henry Butterfield. Two TERMS—Lottie Sibley, Louis Sibley, Myron Butterfield, Ralph Clark, Denny Needham, Eddie Needham, Bertie Needham, Paul Needham, Virgil Parker, Dell Parker. ONE TERM—Mildred Bliss, Maud Parker, Gertie Whiting, Edward Bliss, Winnie Matthews, Esther Clark, Ida Needham, Gertie Needham, Maud Parker, Millie Parker, Manilly Cochran.

WEST SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Mabel Austin, Edith Adams, Stella Wyman, Clifford Knight. Two TERMS—Warren Adams, Willie Bullard, Milton Bullard, Justin Rawson. ONE TERM—Althea Russell, Alma Russell, Alice White, Richard Adams, Lester Knight.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Flora Guely. ONE TERM—Lena Dwelly, Mamie Day.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
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School Committee.

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Assessors,

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Overseers of the Poor.

JESSE ALLEN,	H. P. AUSTIN.	W. M. ROBINSON.

Collector,
LEONARD P. LOVELL.

Treasurer,
STEPHEN M. SARGEANT.

Constables.
C. H. PARKER, H. P. AUSTIN, H. S. HOUGHTON, WM. C. BLISS, E. H. DWELLY, C. A. GLEASON, WM. S. CRAWFORD.

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ART. 16.—To see if the town will adopt the provisions of Chapter 264, Acts of 1890, entitled "An act relating to Public Cemeteries" or pass any vote relative thereto

ART. 17.—To see if the town will discontinue a town way as laid out by the selectmen and accepted by vote of the town on the thirtieth day of August, 1838, commencing near a point in the old road leading from Oakham to Coldbrook, near the Station on the Central Mass. Railroad, opposite a hard pine tree, thence over said old road and land of Jason A. Allen, seventeen hundred feet to a point in said old road or do anything with reference thereto

ART 18.—To see if the town will cooperate with other towns in the care of the poor, or take any action thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post-offices, and one at the Congregational Meeting-house in said town, seven days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKLL,
Selectmen of Oakham

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

We herewith submit in detail the Report for the year ending March 1st, 1892:

TOWN CLERK.		
Paid Town Clerk for services,	$17 45	
postage and express,	6 43	$23 88
COLLECTOR.		
Paid Collector for services.	50 00	
tax book and blanks.	3 00	
stationery and postage.	6 14	59 14
TREASURER.		
Paid Treasurer for services,	20 00	
postage and stationery,	1 55	
traveling and express.	2 50	24 05
SELECTMEN.		
Paid Selectmen for services. C. H. Parker,	25 00	
D. R. Dean,	25 00	
L. N. Haskell,	25 00	
telephoning and telegraphing.	2 69	
postage and stationery,	1 46	79 15
ASSESSORS.		
Paid Assessors for services. H. W. Lincoln,	40 00	
S. H. Bullard,	24 00	
E. N. Hunt,	14 00	78 00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.		
Paid School Committee for services. Jesse Allen.	37 75	
H. W. Lincoln,	20 00	
H. P. Austin,	10 00	67 75
SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.		
Paid Overseers of Poor,	1,182 27	
SCHOOL EXPENSES.		
Paid for Centre Districts,	581 05	
Coldbrook "	298 09	
West "	212 75	
South "	223 00	
School Supplies.	245 04	
Repairs on School Houses,	19 43	
Carrying Scholars,	99 50	1,678 86

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid W. A. Nye, for repairs on highways,	999 85	

OPENING ROADS.

Paid L. N. Haskell,	200 00	

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Caldwell,	52 00	
Geo. E. Reed,	39 00	
H. M. Green,	15 00	
C. L. White,	9 00	115 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Daniel Rogers,	72 00	
H. M. Green,	32 00	104 00

SOLDIER'S RELIEF.

Paid for relief of H. M. Green, as follows:		
Dr. A. H. Prouty,	23 00	
Geo. N. Towle,	2 50	
James Packard, burial expenses,	24 00	
C. H. Parker, groceries,	23 62	
B. P. Clark, 3 mattresses, 4 pillows,	7 50	
C. H. Parker, 50 yards cotton $3.06, 4 blankets $4.80, 4 comforters $5.06,	12 86	
H. M. Green, relief March 1891,	14 06	107 54

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid F. E. Emery, services as Detective,	9 92	
L. P. Lovell, abatement of taxes,	14 00	
Expense of Harwood case,	296 45	
Counsel fees,	6 00	
C. A. Gleason, ringing church bell,	35 00	
" " care Memorial Hall,	10 00	
Maynard, Gough & Co., printing,	25 75	
Principal on note to Commonwealth,	3500 00	
Interest " " " "	240 00	
Principal on note Barre Savings Bank,	1000 00	
Interest " " " " "	16 25	
L. P. Lovell, dinners,	1 75	
E. Whitney, record book,	3 33	
Geo. H. Temple, Memorial Day,	15 00	
L. N. Haskell, wood town hall,	6 00	
W. S. Crawford, repairs on weights and measures,	2 00	
I. W. Mullet, printing,	22 00	
W. W. Grimes, repairs on pump and well,	19 42	
James Packard, repairs on bell frame,	9 91	
County Tax,	293 00	
State Tax,	255 00	
James Packard, services as sexton,	19 75	
L. P. Lovell, discount on taxes,	208 99	
S. M. Sargeant, lighting street lamps,	25 00	
Coldbrook V. I. S. " " "	25 00	

H. H. Cook, printing,	3 00	
James Packard, shingles and repairs on Hearse house,	6 00	6068 52

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers,	331 97	
Support of Paupers,	1182 27	
Schools,	1678 86	
Highways,	999 85	
Opening Roads,	200 00	
State Aid,	115 00	
Military Aid,	104 00	
Soldier Relief,	107 54	
Miscellaneous Expenses,	6068 52	10,788 04

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

S. M. Sargeant, Treasurer.

Dr.

To Balance in Treasury March 1, 1891,	3257 50	
Cash from Temporary Support State Paupers,	6 58	
" Overseers Poor of Spencer,	22 30	
" " " " Barre,	34 50	
Cash borrowed Barre Savings Bank,	1000 00	
" from L. P. Lovell Interest on Tax 1889,	31 00	
" Corporation Tax,	8 13	
" National Bank Tax,	8 73	
" State Aid,	154 00	
" Dog Fund,	150 38	
" Interest on Special Deposit,	26 19	
" Borrowed of Commonwealth,	1500 00	
" Sale School Supplies,	3 03	
" School Fund,	275 00	
" Town Barre,	40 73	
" Town Athol,	17 00	
" Town Tax,	5490 00	
" State Tax,	255 00	
" County Tax,	293 00	
" Overlayings,	117 12	12,690 49

Cr.

By paying Selectmen's orders,	10,788 01	
Uncollected taxes, 1891, due from L. P. Lovell,	1526 69	
" " 1890, " " "	62 92	
Cash,	312 87	12,690 49

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Due Commonwealth, Oct. 12, 1892, note at 4 per cent,	1500 00	
" Dec. 26, 1893, "	1000 00	
" Dec. 31, 1894, "	1500 00	4000 00

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

DR.

To State Tax,	255 00	
County Tax,	293 00	
Town Tax,	5490 78	
Overlayings,	117 42	
Uncollected taxes for 1890,	62 92	6,219 12

CR.

By Treasurer's receipts,	4629 51	
Uncollected taxes for 1891,	1526 69	
" " " 1890,	62 92	6219 12

L. P. LOVELL, Collector.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLARENCE H. PARKER, }
DAVID R. DEAN, } Selectmen of Oakham.
LEWIS N. HASKELL. }

NAMES OF PERSONS SELECTED BY THE SELECTMEN TO SERVE AS JURORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

E. L. Parker, Jesse Allen, Walter R. Dean, James F. Robinson, W. M. Robinson, James Sheern, M. O. Ayres, Geo. W. Stone, Wm. S. Crawford, Elbridge Mullett.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1892.

Paid W. A. Nye,	428 00
L. P. Green,	94 23
E. Green,	136 20
Frank Weld	6 05
J. E. Stone,	1 75
A. B. Spooner,	24 31
E. Mullet,	39 91
Wm. Crawford,	7 03
Job Simmons,	5 17
James Woodis,	3 85
George Reed,	25 99

Clarence Dean,	9 79	
W. M. Robinson.	8 59	
Otis Keep.	15 83	
L. N. Haskell.	21 50	
H. P. Austin.	9 57	
Mrs. A. Maynard.	10 07	
Patrick McGreevey.	10 15	
T. N. Fobes.	1 40	
Edwin Hunt.	1 75	
P. B. Woodis.	88	
Michael Gaffney.	54 30	
James Butler.	3 50	
H. W. Lincoln.	6 00	
James Sheern.	5 78	
C. H. Parker.	8 67	
D. M. Parker.	10 36	
D. R. Dean.	11 50	
Geo. E. Allen.	11 40	
Frank Brown. express.	1 87	
A. Loring.	3 50	
Wm. Gaines.	2 10	
D. H. Nye.	18 81	
	$999 85	

Respectfully Submitted.

WILLIAM A. NYE. Street Superintendent.

OPENING ROADS.

Paid W. A. Nye.	12 70	
Michael Gaffney,	27 81	
John Gaffney.	5 88	
H. W. Lincoln.	16 81	
Elbridge Mullet.	6 70	
H. A. Crawford.	15 13	
George W. Stone.	4 67	
Patrick Gaffney.	8 25	
W. M. Robinson.	5 00	
Henry Bartlett.	9 70	
S. J. Foster.	2 27	
J. E. Stone.	7 96	
Wm. O. Keep.	17 90	
Joseph Elix.	9 27	
E. H. Dwelly.	7 59	
M. M. Butterfield.	13 00	
J. E. Stone.	7 31	
Mrs. C. M. Maynard.	3 75	
Patrick McGreevey.	4 50	
L. N. Haskell.	13 80	200 00

Respectfully Submitted.

L. N. HASKELL. Street Superintendent for year ending April. 1. 1891.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1892.

Received of the Town for support of the poor,		$1,182 27
WHICH WE ACCOUNT FOR AS FOLLOWS:		
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,		169 46
Wm. Mandall for Almira Woodis,		104 00
Peter Gaguon for Mrs. John King,		52 00
Shedd Brothers for Lydia Chamberlain,		90 15
L. S. Starrett for Mrs. L. B. Field,		78 00
Charles A. Gleason for James Babbitt,		185 50
S. O. Butler for Moses Bartlett,	96 75	
Dr. Brown Med. att. " "	3 45	100 20
Geo. Thresher for Lucy Robinson,	104 00	
Dr. Brown Med. att. " "	5 00	109 00
Aid furnished family of Lemuel Robinson,	13 73	
Dr. Brown Med. att. " " "	27 00	40 73
" " " " " " Charles White,		34 50
Aid furnished family of Napoleon Porter,		10 08
James Packard, burial of Elmer Wood,	3 00	
Town of Athol, family " " "	98 03	101 03
Dr. Brown Med. att. on family of John E. Stone,		12 85
" " " " " " " Horace M. Green,		8 00
J. W. Bemis, keeping 57 tramps,		42 75
F. S. Conant, (sundries),		65
C. H. Parker, "		1 93
N. W. Packard, "		5 44
Jesse Allen, ex. service, postage, etc.,		6 00
Overseers' ordinary service,		30 00
		$1182 27

Amounts re-inbursed to the Town.

From the town of Barre,	$75 23	
" " " " Athol,	17 00	
" " State.	6 00	$98 81
Amount of Pauper Expenses above amount re-inbursed to the town,		1,083 46

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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HENRY P. AUSTIN,
WALTER M. ROBINSON,
Overseers of Poor.

This is to certify that I have examined and found correct, the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Treasurer of the Town of Oakham for the year ending March 1st, 1892.

F. S. CONANT, Auditor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS IN OAKHAM IN 1891.

BIRTHS.

Apr. 6	Son to James W. Bemis.
June 17.	Daughter to Adolph White.
July 11.	Daughter to George E. Thresher.
July 15.	Daughter (adopted) to Lewis P. Green
Aug. 8.	Daughter to George Allard.
Aug. 13.	Daughter to Patrick McGreevey.
Nov. 27.	Son to Edward H. Dwelly.

Total 7.

MARRIAGES.

July 2.	John Fenton to Anna Brook.
July 26.	Levi Newton to Mrs. Estella J. Babcock.
Oct. 6.	Charles F. Waterhouse to Mrs. Mary A. Sargeant.

Total 3.

DEATHS.

		YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Feb. 4.	Adeline W. Knight.	88	0	12
Feb. 14,	Charles Chamberlain.	36	9	9
Feb. 16.	Lemuel M. Robinson,	64		
Mar. 22,	Emma Robinson,	59	10	8
May 10,	Harriet S. Conant,	74		
May 24,	Maggie E. White,	13	0	26
May 30.	Herman Haire,	69	4	20
June 8,	Betsey Pratt,	76	6	
Oct. 2,	James Babbitt,	76		
Dec. 1,	Bridget Moran.	29		
Dec. 15,	Emma F. Dwelly.	29	7	8

Total 11.

BURIED IN TOWN.

June 15,	Adin Bullard,	88		
Dec. 8,	Asa A. Dean,	73	9	29
Dec. 27,	W. Mellen Thompson.	65	3	20

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Report of the School Committee of the Town of Oakham for the year ending March 1st, 1892, is as follows:

DR.

To amount appropriated for Schools by Town,	$850 00
" " " school house repairs by the Town,	75 00
Received from State school fund,	275 00
" " Dog tax refunded,	150 38
" Cash for school supplies,	3 03
	$1353 41

CR.

By expenses for the several schools, as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMER.

Amount paid Miss Florence I. Sargeant, spring term.	90 00
" " " Maria L. Lincoln, fall term,	90 00
" " " " " " winter term.	90 00
	$270 00

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, spring term.	70 00
" " " Lelia F. Adams, fall term,	70 00
" " " " " winter term.	70 00
	210 00
" " Fuel and care of School rooms.	84 05

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Lelia F. Adams, spring term.	86 40
" " " Lillian M. Thayer, fall term,	80 00
" " " " " winter term.	80 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	8 70
	255 10

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss S. L. Johnson, spring term.	60 00
" " " " " fall term,	65 00
" " " " " winter term,	65 00
" " Fuel and care of house,	35 75
	225 75

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid Mrs. Lillian E. Parker, spring term,		71 50
" " " " " fall term,		65 00
" " " " " winter term,		70 00
" " Fuel and care of house,		16 50
		223 00

CONVEYANCE OF SCHOLARS.

Spring term, paid Bessie Weld,		12 50
" " " Edgar O. Crawford,		12 50
" " " George E. Thresher,		9 25
Fall " " E. O. Crawford,		27 50
" " " Sarah E. Butler,		10 25
Winter " " E. O. Crawford,		27 50
		99 50

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid Rogene F. Parker, repairs on Coldbrook school house,		42 99
Wm. S. Crawford " on Centre and West school houses,		19 43
		62 42
Total expense of teachers, care and repair of houses and fuel,		$1330 32

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Value of school supplies on hand March 1st, 1892,		145 73
" " " " " " " 1891,		198 15
Paid for school supplies during year,		186 66
" care of " to F. S. Conant,		10 00
		196 66

Greenleaf's Complete Arithmetic has been adopted for the use of our Schools.

The attandance in the several schools has been as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMER.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					20	Average attendance,		15
Fall	"	"	"	"	22	"	"	15
Winter	"	"	"	"	23	"	"	18

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,					37	Average attendance,		32
Fall	"	"	"	"	38	"	"	29
Winter	"	"	"	"	29	"	"	24

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,						36	Average attendance,		30
Fall	"	"	"	"	"	39	"	"	33
Winter	"	"	"	"	"	31	"	"	21

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars,						10	Average attendance,		8
Fall	"	"	"	"	"	7	"	"	6
Winter	"	"	"	"	"	15	"	"	11

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number,						119	Average attendance,		99
Fall	"	"	"			123	"	"	97
Winter	"	"	"			119	"	"	91

Number of scholars enrolled in all our schools, 151.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

CENTRE SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—James Allen, Alice Allen, Clement Ayres, Ralph Lovell. TWO TERMS—Fannie Robinson, Blanche Packard, Edith Clifford, Sadie Packard George Loring, David Robinson. ONE TERM—Johnnie Day, Herbert Sargeant, Florence Bothwell, Lena Dwelly, Mamie Stone, Fayette Russell, Frank Russell, Edna Bemis, Ethel Babcock, Blanche Caldwell, Ella Green, Nellie Green, Flora Green, Lymert Balcom, Harry Loring, Edith Bartlett, Effie Bartlett, Walter Clifford, Bertie Hapgood.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Dell Parker. TWO TERMS—Ralph Clark, Myron Butterfield, Millie Parker, Ruth Butterfield. ONE TERM—Eva Woodbury, Virgil Parker, Denny Needham, Manilly Cochran, Henry Butterfield, Edward Bliss, Mildred Bliss, Bertie Butterfield, Frank Caldwell, Gertie Needham.

WEST SCHOOL.

THREE TERM—Mabel Austin, Stella Wyman. TWO TERMS—Edith Adams, Clifford Knight. ONE TERM—Maggie Curry, Richard Adams, Warren Adams, Willie Bullard, Lester Knight, Justin Rawson.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

ONE TERM—Florence Bothwell, Alice Dwelly, Johnnie Dwelly, Flora Guely, Walter Woodis.

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ART. 15.—To see if the town will vote to purchase any apparatus for protection from fire, or pass any vote relative thereto

ART. 16.—To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 131, of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, and appropriate money thereof.

ART. 17.—To see if the town will discontinue a town way as laid out by the Selectmen and accepted by vote of the town on the thirtieth day of August, 1888, commencing near a point in the old road leading from Oakham to Coldbrook Springs, near the Station on the Central Mass. Railroad, opposite a hard pine tree, thence over said old road and land of Jason A. Allen, seventeen hundred feet to a point in said old road, or do anything with reference thereto.

ART. 18.—To see what compensation the town will allow their Treasurer and Collector the ensuing year.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post-offices, and one at the Congregational Meeting-house in said town, seven days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
LEWIS N. HASKELL.
} Selectmen of Oakham.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

We herewith submit in detail the Report for the year ending March 1st, 1893:

TOWN CLERK.		
Paid Town Clerk for services,	$23 90	
express and postage.	7 46	$31 36
COLLECTOR.		
Paid Collector for services,	50 00	
book, tax bills, postage, stationary.	10 30	60 30
TREASURER.		
Paid Treasurer for services.	30 00	
postage.	55	30 55
SELECTMEN.		
Paid Selectmen for services. C. H. Parker,	25 00	
D. R. Dean,	25 00	
L. N. Haskell,	25 00	
traveling, postage and stationary.	5 83	80 83
ASSESSORS.		
Paid Assessors for services. S. H. Bullard.	26 00	
E. N. Hunt.	17 00	43 00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.		
Paid School Committee for services, Jesse Allen.	55 50	
H. W. Lincoln.	21 00	76 50
SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.		
Paid Overseers of Poor,	804 49	
SCHOOL EXPENSES.		
Paid for Center District.	537 00	
Coldbrook "	267 04	
West "	241 25	
South "	209 67	
School Supplies.	182 35	
Conveying Scholars.	104 85	1542 16

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid W. A. Nye, repairs on highways,	965	62	
opening roads,	6	70	972 32

STATE AID.

Paid Eliza Caldwell,	48	00	
Geo. E. Reed,	24	00	
H. M. Green,	36	00	
Chas. L. White,	9	00	117 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Daniel Rogers,			6 00

MATERIAL FOR LOCKUP.

Paid Marcy & Gardner for brick,	54	00	
Frieght on brick,	12	60	
Wilder & Puffer for lime and cement,	12	78	
H. C. Fish, iron door,	9	30	
Geo. N. Briggs, drawing brick and stone,	27	45	
J. W. Bemis, drawing brick,	8	00	
W. W. Grimes, labor on foundation,	5	50	
E. Swindell, labor on foundation,	9	62	139 25

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Paid Principal on note to Commonwealth,	1500	00	
Interest " " " "	160	00	
Principal on note Barre Savings Bank,	1000	00	
Interest " " " "	24	31	
State Tax,	262	50	
County Tax,	258	00	
I. W. Mullett, printing Town Reports,	20	00	
I. W. Mullett, Assessor's Report,	22	00	
L. P. Lovell, abatement of taxes,	21	59	
F. S. Comant, abatement of taxes,	49	28	
L. P. Lovell, discount on taxes,	230	56	
C. A. Gleason, ringing church bell,	35	00	
" " care of Memorial Hall,	10	00	
" " part payment ringing bell 1892,	22	50	
For wood for Town Hall,	14	00	
Town Library,	25	00	
James Packard, services as sexton,	35	60	
" " for certificate of deaths,	6	25	
T. G. Garrigan for certificate of death,		50	
John Newton, service fire inquest,	10	00	
Geo. W. Hall, table and chairs for Selectmen's room,	18	37	
C. H. Parker, arrest of P. Caffrey,	1	50	
S. Bothwell, arrest of H. M. Green,	1	25	
H. E. Sargeant, lighting street lamps,	25	00	
Coldbrook V. I. S., lighting street lamps,	25	00	3775 21

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers.	322 54	
Support of Paupers.	804 49	
Schools.	1542 16	
Highways.	972 32	
State Aid,	117 00	
Military Aid.	6 00	
Material for Lockup.	139 25	
Miscellaneous Expenses.	3775 21	7678 97

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

JESSE ALLEN, Treasurer.

DR.

To Balance in Treasury, 1892,	1902 48	
Cash for use of Memorial Hall,	24 00	
" H. P. Austin, auctioneer's license,	2 00	
" Grass on common,	4 25	
" Borrowed Barre Savings Bank,	1000 00	
" Sale school supplies,	4 32	
" F. S. Conant, interest,	54 91	
" State Treasurer, Corporation Tax,	8 49	
" " " National Bank Tax,	8 79	
" " " School Fund,	275 00	
" " " Military Aid refunded,	60 00	
" " " State Aid refunded,	93 00	
" County " Dog Fund,	159 48	
" State Tax,	252 50	
" County Tax,	258 00	
" Town Grant,	6015 00	
" Overlayings,	63 14	10,185 36

CR.

By paying Selectmen's Orders,	7678 97	
Balance in Treasury,	2506 39	10,185 36

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Due Commonwealth Dec. 26, 1893, note at 4 per cent,	1000 00	
" Dec. 31, 1894, " " " " "	1500 00	2500 00

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

DR.

To State Tax,	262 50	
County Tax,	258 00	
Town Tax,	6015 00	
Overlayings,	63 14	
Uncollected Taxes for 1890,	62 92	
" " " 1891,	1526 69	$8188 25

CR.

By Treasurer's Receipts, 1890,	62 92	
" " 1891,	1472 05	
" " 1892,	4937 83	
Uncollected Taxes, 1891,	54 64	
" " 1892,	1485 16	
Cash on hand,	175 65	$8188 25

L. P. LOVELL, Collector.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLARENCE H. PARKER, } Selectmen
DAVID R. DEAN, } of
LEWIS N. HASKELL. } Oakham.

LIST OF JURORS, AS REVISED BY THE SELECTMEN.

E. L. Parker, Jesse Allen, Walter R. Dean, James F. Robinson
W. M. Robinson, James Sheeran, Geo. W. Stone, W. S. Crawford,
Elbridge Mallett, F. S. Conant.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1893.

FOR REPAIRING HIGHWAY.

Paid W. A. Nye,	$395	35	
Edwin Green,	128	14	
A. B. Spooner,	26	50	
L. P. Green,	65	71	
Wallace Grimes,	3	50	
Edgar Crawford,	3	85	
Edward Crawford,	2	98	
Wm. C. Crawford,	2	00	
Geo. E. Reed,	71	22	
J. E. Stone,	2	63	
James Sheern,	6	30	
Elbridge Mullett,	63	22	
H. W. Lincoln,	6	58	
Wm. Gaffney,	19	00	
Mrs. Caroline Maynard,		88	
Patrick King,	1	75	
L. N. Haskell,	16	00	
James Butler,	4	20	
W. M. Robinson,	2	02	
Patrick McGreavy,	45	75	
Bert Banks,	3	38	
Frank Weld,	5	25	
John Fenton,	1	75	
John Haire,	14	33	
J. A. Butterfield,	1	23	
Loring Bros.,	3	25	
Geo. E. Allen,	18	25	
D. R. Dean,	9	16	
D. M. Parker,	2	70	
W. H. White,	29	64	
H. Moore,	3	00	
F. S. Conant,	1	80	
N. W. Packard,	1	75	
F. E. Reed,		35	
Edson Hapgood,	1	50	
Horace Green,		70	965 62

1892. OPENING ROADS.

Paid W. O. Keep,	1	13	
W. M. Robinson,	1	37	
H. W. Lincoln,	3	20	
Wm. Gaffney,	1	00	6 70

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM A. NYE, Street Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The town, at its last Annual Meeting voted to join with the towns of Princeton, Holden, Hubbardston, Paxton and Westminster in the co-operative care of her Poor, beginning Apr. 1st, 1892. The result of this arrangment has been highly satisfactory, our deserving Poor, in every instance, receiving as good or better care than under the old system, and at a greatly reduced expense to the town. The Town Farm in Holden has again been leased to the Association for the term of five years, from April 1st, 1893.

Expense for the year ending Jan. 1st, 1893,		$804 49
As follows:		
For the Quarter ending Apr. 1, 1892,	303 79	
" " " " July 1, 1892,	138 43	
" " " " Oct. 1, 1892,	158 86	
" " " " Jan. 1, 1893,	203 41	$804 49

EXPENSES IN DETAIL.

Paid Poor Farm Association,	175 00
State Lunatic Hospital for Miss Walker,	48 83
For support of Lydia Chamberlain,	65 00
" " " Moses Bartlett,	61 50
" " " Almira Woodis,	65 00
" " " Lucy Robinson,	74 75
" " " Mrs. Field,	19 50
" " " Mrs. King,	13 00
" " " family of O. N. Lloyd,	97 61
" " " Daniel Rogers,	51 05
" " " Mrs. Sarah Wood,	18 75
Dr. Sawyer, Med. att. on Lucy Robinson,	15 00
Dr. Prouty, " " " " "	5 00
" " " " " Moses Bartlett,	4 70
H. P. Austin, journey and ex. to Athol,	7 00
Postage, ex. and stationery,	1 40
J. W. Bemis, keeping 57 tramps,	38 40
Overseers for Services,	43 00
	$804 49

Persons wholly or partially supported by the town: Miss Emmie Walker, Miss Lydia Chamberlain, Miss Almira Woodis, Miss Lucy Robinson, George Ash, Moses Bartlett, Family of O. N. Lloyd.

Average Annual expense for the care of the Poor, for the five years ending Jan 1, 1892,	$1158 99
Expense for nine months under present method,	500 70
At same rate for the year ending Apr. 1, 1893,	667 60
Balance in favor of present method,	191 39

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
JAMES PACKARD,
W. M. ROBINSON,
Overseers of the Poor

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS IN OAKHAM IN 1892.

BIRTHS.

Apr. 14.	Son to C. S. A. Woodbury.
May 29.	Daughter to Adolph White.
June 2.	Son to J. Frank Balcom.
July 15.	Son to J. Wm. Bemis.
July 19.	Son to Geo L. Parker.
July 29.	Son to Chas. P. McClenathan.
Aug. 3.	Son to John Fenton.
Sept. 20.	Son to Dr A. H. Prouty.
Oct. 17.	Daughter to Geo. E. Thresher.
Nov. 1.	Son to Mason S. Dean.

Total 10.

MARRIAGES.

Apr. 13.	John H. Keep to Grace C. Gleason.
May 12.	John J. Griffin to Mary Donohue.
Sept. 15.	Benjamin D. Smith to Alice W. Ayres.
Dec. 18.	Charles L. Haskell to Marion L. Clark.

Total 4.

DEATHS.

		YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan. 6.	Sarah S. Towne.	86	6	
Jan. 8.	Nellie M. Green.	10	1	9
Jan. 10.	Flora Green.	8	1	15
Jan. 12.	Mary Green.	5	9	13
Jan. 12.	Mary E. Gaines.	70		
Jan. 17.	Patrick Tobin.	70		
Jan. 29.	Edna White.		7	14
Apr. 8.	Susan R. Barr.	85	1	15
May 7.	Mary E. Green.		9	22
May 29.	Mary White.			1
June 5.	Charles Butler.	65		
June 12	Almira B. Clapp.	88	0	14
June 14.	Mary Reed.	93	10	
Aug. 10.	Robert E. Munroe.		2	
Sept. 2.	Stephen H. Lincoln.	23	8	8
Sept. 25.	Archibald B. Woodbury.		5	11
Oct. 3.	Herbert C. Bemis.		2	13
Oct. 17.	Alice M. Thresher.	40		
Oct. 20.	Charles A. Sargeant.	80	5	28
Oct. 23.	William P. Dwelly.	73	10	15
Oct. 24.	Marietta Winter.	52	3	24
Nov. 7.	Harriet W. Ayres.	81	7	26
Nov. 16.	Anna Ryley.	38	6	
Nov. 27.	Rev. H. P. Leonard.	70	6	24
Nov. 30.	David F. Parmenter.	71	6	
Dec. 17.	Ralph L. McClenathan.		4	19

Total 26.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Report of the School Committee of the Town of Oakham for the year ending March 1st, 1893, is as follows:

DR.

To amount appropriated for Schools by Town.	$850 00
" " " School house repairs.	75 00
Received from State school fund.	275 00
" " Dog tax refunded,	159 48
" Cash for school supplies,	4 32
	$1363 80

CR.

By expenses for the several schools, as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Amount paid Miss Maria L. Lincoln, spring term,	90 00
" " " Edith G. Gray, fall term.	80 00
" " " " " " winter term.	80 00
	$250 00

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Amount paid Miss Florence I. Sargeant, spring term.	70 00
" " " " " " fall term.	70 00
" " " " " " winter term.	70 00
	210 00
" " Fuel and care of school rooms.	67 95

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Bertha C. Lovell, spring term.	80 00
" " " " " " fall term.	80 00
" " " " " " winter term.	80 00
" " Fuel and care of house.	21 89
	261 89

WEST SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss J. H. O. Lovell, spring term.	65 00
" " " " " " fall term.	65 00
" " " " " " winter term.	70 00
" " Care of house.	7 00
	207 00

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Amount paid Miss Lilla B. Spooner, spring term	60 00
" " " " " " fall term,	60 00
" " " Sara E. Butler, winter term,	60 00
" " Fuel and care of house.	15 00
	195 00
Paid for School House Repairs,	59 32

CONVEYANCE OF SCHOLARS.

Paid Edgar O. Crawford.	53 35
Sara E. Butler,	24 50
George E. Reed.	27 00
	104 85
Total Expense.	$1356 01

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Value of School Supplies on hand March 1st, 1893.	124 14
" " " " " " " " 1892,	145 73
Paid for school supplies during year.	166 90
" care of school supplies.	10 00
	176 90

Singing has been introduced into our Schools, with very pleasant results. The schools being supplied with the "New Golden Wreath" song book.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

CENTRE SCHOOL—GRAMMAR.

Spring term, whole number of scholars.	19	Average attendance,	16		
Fall " " " " "	29	" "	24		
Winter " " " " "	34	" "	30		

CENTRE SCHOOL—PRIMARY.

Spring term, whole number of scholars.	27	Average attendance,	24		
Fall " " " " "	34	" "	28		
Winter " " " " "	30	" "	26		

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars.	34	Average attendance,	32		
Fall. " " " " "	34	" "	31		
Winter " " " " "	30	" "	26		

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars.						15	Average attendance.		14
Fall	"	"	"	"	"	16	"	"	12
Winter	"	"	"	"	"	20	"	"	14

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, whole number of scholars.						9	Average attendance,		7
Fall	"	"	"	"	"	8	"	"	7
Winter	"	"	"	"	"	10	"	"	7

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term, whole number.						104	Average attendance.		93
Fall	"	"	"			124	"	"	102
Winter	"	"	"			124	"	"	103

Number of scholars enrolled in all our schools, 149.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

CENTRE SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Geo. A Loring, David H. Robinson, Alice E. Allen, Edith Clifford, Susie Gleason, James Allen, Clement Ayres, Walter Clifford. TWO TERMS—Blanche E. Packard, Eva A. Stone, Mabel Austin, Edith Bartlett, Effie Bartlett, Maud Sargeant, Leymert Balcom, Ralph Lovell. ONE TERM—Walter Green, Fannie Robinson, Stella Wyman, Ethel Balcock, Walter Woodis, John P. Day, Roger Conant, Cathie Bullard, Sadie Packard, Alice Reed, Roy Burt, Henry Grimes, Bertie Hapgood, James Hatstat, Mortie Sargeant.

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Esther Clark, Nattie Butterfield, Myron Butterfield, Edward Bliss. TWO TERMS—Mildred Bliss, Dell Parker, Ruth Butterfield, Blanche Caldwell, Maud Parker, Maud Caldwell, Denny Needham, Henry Butterfield. ONE TERM—Olive Laplante, Ralph Clark, Gertrude Needham, Winnie Parker, Olive Woodbury, Millie Parker, Elmer Cleveland.

WEST SCHOOL.

THREE TERMS—Milton Bullard. TWO TERMS—Minnie Bullard, Stella Wyman Willie Bullard, Clifford Knight. ONE TERM—Mabel Austin, Althea Russell, Alma Russell, Alice White, Katie King, Jerry Haley, Lester Knight, Justin Rawson.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

TWO TERMS—Alice Dwelly, Johnnie Dwelly, Robert Dwelly. ONE TERM—Melvina Brook, Flora Guely, Henry Cummings.

Respectfully submitted.

JESSE ALLEN,
HENRY P. AUSTIN,
WALTER M. ROBINSON,

School Committee.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

For the first time in its history, Oakham is enjoying the advantages of a Library, FREE TO ALL her citizens.

For nearly or quite one hundred years, a small subscription Library has been supported by public spirited citizens of the town. There is still in existence a list of the names of the "proprietors" of the "Oakham Social Library," sixty-five in number, bearing the date of Mar. 2, 1803. These "proprietors," at that time, taxed themselves each twenty-five cents, thereby raising $16.25 for the purpose of "enlarging the library."

The patrons of this small Library, during its existence of a century, have received, doubtless, incalculable good therefrom.

The Legislature of 1890 passed an Act, introduced by Hon. E. B. Hayes, present mayor of Lynn, by which the small towns of the State, having no Free Public Libraries by accepting the provisions of the Act, and annually appropriating a small sum, would be aided by the State to the amount of one hundred dollars.

At its last Annual Meeting the town, by a unanimous vote accepted of this generous proposition, and appropriated twenty-five dollars for the purpose of establishing a "Free Public Library" in Oakham.

Kind friends of the town have also shown a deep interest in the success of this enterprise. We would make especial mention of Miss E. P. Sohier of Beverly, member of the "State Library Commission," who has been untiring in her efforts in our behalf.

We have received from our Beverly friends more than 200 valuable books. Valuable volumes have also been received from Hon. E. B. Hayes of Lynn. Also from our own citizens as follows: D. Oscar Lovell, Mrs. M. T. F. Rugg, J. H. O. Lovell, E. J. Crawford, I. W. Mullett, and Jesse Allen. Thus, with the valuable portion of the Old Library, and the one hundred dollars worth of books furnished by the State, we have a well selected Library of 541 volumes.

Further contributions, it is believed, will be made by other friends of the town. A catalogue will be printed before many months.

132 different persons have taken out books. 1117 volumes have been charged in the six months since the Library has been opened.

No expense has attended the care of the same thus far.

A growing interest is shown by our citizens in our "New Library" especially by our children and youth, and we are certain that its influence for good, especially upon the rising generation, cannot be estimated.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

CR.

Received Town Appropriation,	$25 00
" Fines,	75
	$25 75

DR.

Paid D. M. Parker, book case,	9 00
" Wm. S. Crawford, work and material,	9 50
" F. S. Conant, hanging lamp,	4 55
" Jesse Allen, express, postage, etc.,	2 92
	$25 97

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE ALLEN,
H. W. LINCOLN,
EDWARD J. CRAWFORD,
} Library Trustees.

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